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28th Mar	Board of Revenue	Forwards an application from Mr Sullivan, Dy Commercial Resident at Ramnad for issuing to him a grant for the ground made over to him by Mungaleswara Nachyar, Ranee of Ramnad.
26th April	The General Agent of Salt Monopoly	Explaining the inadvisability of uniting the Superintendence of the custom Choukies and the Salt pans in any places on the coast of Ramnad and Shevagunga.
19th May	Board of Revenue	Submits an explanation of the benefit produced in the zillah of Ramnad in consequence of the introduction of the permanent Settlement and notices the inadequacy of the present establishment of Police in that zillah.
23rd May	Secretary to Govt. in the Revenue Department	Recommending the grant of an allowance of 40 pagodas per mensum to the widow (Meenatchi ammal) of the late Rajah Peria Murdoo of Shevagunga

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	29th May	All the Zemindars in the Zillah of Ramnad, Madura and Dindigul	Pointing out by a brief Sketch of the power vested in the Poligars for the enforcement of their demands from the Ryots and how by that power they could ~~readily~~ [illegible] very readily make good their Peishcush.
	15th June	Board of Revenue	States of his having [illegible] transferred the privilege of Selling Spirituous liquors to certain individuals und[er] the restrictions provided for by the Regulations but that frequent com[-] plaints are preferred b[y] the renters that perso[ns] who manufactured [illegible] and Toddy previous to [the] establishment of a ren[t] refuse to discontinue th[e] practice though prohibit[ed] under a penalty, and thinks, therefore, that pen[alty] Cannot be enforced un[til] the Regulations be pass[ed] int[o]

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	18th June	Secretary to Govt in the Revenue Dept	Acknowledging the recei[pt] of a letter sanctioning the payment of a pension to the widow of Peria Murdho[…]
	31st July	Board of Revenue	States his opinion that the transfer which has been made of certain Pollams from the Zillah of Ramnad to Madura as well as the annexation of Some Zemindaries to the Zillah of Coimbatore is calculated in every respect to make each division more compact but considering the present extent of the Zillah of Madura, he suggests that the Talug of Nadumandalam be annexed to the Zillah of Ramnad instead of being placed under his authority

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To Charles Wetherell Esquire
Paymaster
Palamcottah

Sir,

I herewith transmit the Pay and Muster Rolls of the Lascars of Tents for last Month —

Madura —
1st January 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

On the Passport service

The Secretary to Government
in the Public Department —

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose Copy of the Register of Passports issued from this station in the Month of December 1805 —

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

Madura —
1st January 1806

To the Accountant General
and Civil Auditor
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith the Accounts Current of the Madura and Manapara Zemindaries for the last fusly in the Native Language duly authenticated —

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

Tippacollum
2d January 1806

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To the Tassildars of Maudacolum, Auniyoor, Mellore & Nuttum

The Orders which have been issued for the Conduct of Nautamcars & Curnums preventing them from Collecting more than what is entered in the Puttums - and it having hitherto been the practice in the Village to Collect a Small Sum from each Ryot for the payment of a Shroff where no Enams in Land is allowed who is made responsible for the Coins paid to the Company and the Collector seeing no Objection to this arrangement is pleased to Order -

That Shroffs shall be appointed in each Village -

That a return of the Shroffs already in the Villages shall be forwarded to the Collector as well as those which may be nominated where there are none

The Nomination of Shroffs shall remain with the Inhabitants subject to the Confirmation of the Collector -

As it is the Case in some Villages that the Shroffs have Enams in Land for the performance of their Duty - no Collections are to be made for them in ready Money -

Where the Shroffs have no Enam in Land the Tassildar is immediately to report the sum which is to be assessed on each Ryot for the Payment of a Shroff with reference to the amount Jumma - & the number of Ryots in each Village - the sum proposed however not to exceed unless absolutely necessary the amount formerly paid by each Ryot

(Signed) George Parish
Coll^r.

Madura
2^d. Jany. 1806

To the Tassildars of Maudacolum, Aunijoor, Nullum & Mellore

It having hitherto been an established Custom during the Company's Government not to receive Copper Cash in Payment of Revenue - & the Collector having Observed that in the first Kist of the present year great Number of Cash have been Sent to the Treasury, is pleased to Order that from the present Date no Copper Cash are to be received from the Ryots - unless absolutely necessary - When a Ryot May Owe a Sum of Money less than One fanam - he is to bring One fanam & the difference will be paid him in Cash

(Signed) George Parish

Madura
2d Jany 1806 -

To the Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose the usual Monthly return of the Troops under the Command of Colonel Manuel Martinz -

(Signed) George Parish Collr

Madura
3d January 1806 -

The President & Members of the Board of Revenue -

Gentlemen

I have the honor to transmit herewith a Statement of Demand Collection & Balance of the Zillah of Ramnad &ca for last Month

(Signed) George Parish Collr

Madura -
8th January 1806

To the Accountant General and
Civil Auditor
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith the Account Current of the Zillah of Ramnad &ca for last Month together with the Vouchers appertaining thereto agreeably to the accompanying List of the Packet.

Madura
8th January 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Collr

To the Register of the
Zillah Court of Ramnad

Sir,

I have the honor to forward you by the accompanying Guard the amount of the Indent for Salary of the Establishment of the Court for December 1805 as pr account Current, and request you will acknowledge the receipt —

The Batta Bill is also enclosed, which I will thank you to sign and return —

Madura
10th Jany 1806 —

(Signed) George Parish
Collr

To the Judge & Magistrate in the Zillah
of Ramnad

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter under date the 8th Instant —

The incomplete state of the Records for 1798 & 9 prevents me submitting to you a report of Mr Lushington to the Board of Revenue relative to the Mal-practices of Mr Jacksons Servants — I however recollect that Rama=sawmy Iyen Purmanaubo Pilly & Soobien were deeply

implicated in those transactions - & I believe you will be able to ascertain by Enquiry at Ramnad that they were corporally punished & dismissed.

The Pleader Kautavaroyah was employed by Mr Powney as Sumperdy for the Management & Sale of the Deposed Rajahs Property - but was dismissed by Mr Jackson, on discovering that he had been guilty of Corruption -

The Pleaders Sameynadapilly & Sopia Ro were to the best of My Knowledge not employed in the Revenue Line -

Teppacollum
11th January 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Collr

R. Fullerton Esquire
General Agent for Salt Monopoly
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 30th November & 5th ulto & agreeably to your desire I herewith transmit a Statement shewing the Quantity of Salt remaining on hand & Proposed to be Manufactured during the next season with the Estimated Sale & advances for the ensuing year as pr prescribed Form -

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Madura
11th Jany 1806 -

(Signed) George Parish
Collr

R. Fullerton Esquire
General agent for Salt Monopoly
Fort St. George

D

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 1st Instant & agreeably to your desire I herewith transmit My accounts Current from the 13th July to the 31st

31st December 1805 together with the Vouchers appertaining thereto, & which shall be transmitted henceforth seperately every Month

(Signed) George Parish Collr.

Madura
11th Jany. 1806

To the President & Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to enclose Registers of of Receipts issued by me to the Zemindars and to my Public servants in the Zillah of Ramnad and in the Districts of Dindigul and Madura for the Month of December 1805

Madura
15th Jany. 1806

(Signed) George Parish Collr.

To the Register to the
Sudder Foujdarry Adawlut

Sir

I have the honor of transmitting to you the Monthly reports for the last Month

Teppacolum,
15th Jany. 1806

(Signed) George Parish Collr.

To the Judge & Magistrate
in the Zillah of Dindigul

Sir,

I have the honor to forward by the Bearer the amount of the Indent for Salary of the Establishment of the Court for December 1805 as pr. Account Current, & request you will acknowledge the receipt

Teppacollum
15th January 1806

(Signed) George Parish Collr.

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To the President & Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

Parä 1st. I have the honor to transmit the Sibbendy Saderwared and Interest account, paid by the Zemindars in the Zillä of Ramnad & Dindigul on account of arrears of Tribute accumulated during the last Fusly —

2d. The delay which has occurred in transmitting this account I trust your Board will excuse; some of the Estates Continued under assumption to a late period of the year, and when the Ameens were withdrawn, a difficulty arose in arranging the sums payable by each Zemindar, owing to an arrangement I had made of placing two or three Estates under the Superintendance of One Revenue Establishment, in Order to lessen as much as possible the Expences of Management —

3d. The total Disbursement on account of Interest, Saderwared & Sibbendy amounts in the Zillah of Ramnad S. Pag.s f.s c in Dindigul to S. P.s f c for which I solicit your Sanction may be Conveyed to me in Order to enable the Civil Auditor to pass those sums in my accounts — the small balance which appear still due will immediately be Collected —

(Signed) George Parish
Coll.r

Seppacollum,
16th Jan.y 1806 —

To the Accountant General &
Civil Auditor
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith the Accounts Current of the District of Madura for the last fusly in the Native Language, duly authenticated —

(Signed) G. Parish
Coll.r

Seppacollum
16th Jan.y 1806 —

To the Officer Commanding
Madura

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose herewith a List of the Prices of Grain and Provisions of every Sort in the several Buzars in the District of Madura —

Madura (Signed) George Parish Coll^r
17th Jany 1806 —

To the Officer Commanding
Dindigul

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose herewith a List of the Prices of Grain & Provisions of every Sort in the several Buzars in the District of Dindigul

Madura — (Signed) George Parish Coll^r
17th January 1806 —

To the Commercial Resident
Ramnad

Sir,

I have herewith the honor to enclose Quarterly Returns of the Quantity of Cloth exported in the Zillah of Ramnad from 1st October to 31st December 1805 —

Madura — (Signed) George Parish Coll^r
17th January 1806

To the General Superintendant of
Salt Revenue

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 10th Instant, and to inform you that the several Statements required by your letters of the 30th Nov^r

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5th ultimo and 1st Instant, were transmitted on the 11th as per prescribed Forms, together with the Vouchers appertaining thereto, excepting the Register of Russooms, Enams, & Pensions, there being no Incumbents attached to the Salt Department in the Zillah of Ramnad

(Signed) George Parish Collr

Teppacollum
18th January 1806

To the President & Members of the
Board of Revenue

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Gentlemen,

Para 1st The Government having undertaken the sole management of all Religious Institutions in the Province of Dindigul, & the removal of My Revenue Servants under whose Superintendance that duty has hitherto been Carried on, rendering it necessary that a seperate Establishment should be formed for the purpose of overseeing the application of the Devistaunum Revenue; I beg leave to submit to you a List of Servants to be employed, amounting to Ps Month

2d The lands appropriated to Religious Ceremonies, when permanently annexed to the Zemindaries as proposed in My Letter of the 11th of October will yield a sum of 467„ 28„ 17½ More than the yearly disbursements hitherto allowed. I would therefore beg leave to recommend, that the Proposed Moyenzabitah, be paid from this amount an arrangement which will secure the Government against any additional Charges

3d The approaching Feast, celebrated at Palany, where Inhabitants from all parts of India, and Many thousands from Hindostan, annually assemble has rendered it necessary that the proposed Establishment of Servants should be engaged immediately. I have therefore deemed it most advisable to employ them, in the hope that your Board will

will sanction the Moyenzabitah now recommended –

Tippacollum (signed) George Parish
20th January 1806 – Collr

Robert Fullerton Esquire

General Agent of Salt Monopoly

Sir,

The dispersed state of the Salt Pans in Ramnad & the great Demand for Rowanahs, induces me to request that you will be pleased to forward as many Copies as you can Conveniently transmit to this station –

Madura – (signed) George Parish
20th Jany 1806 Collr

To the Accountant General and Civil Auditor

Sir,

Para 1st From circumstances which I have detailed to the Board of Revenue the Gross Receipts of my Treasury for next Month are likely to be decreased in the sum of Star Pagodas 27,174 „ 23 „ 47 „ –

2d The Charges will remain as before esti=
=mated in the sum of Star Pagodas 11587 „ – „ – „ and Consequently leave my Nett appropriable Revenue at the sum of Star Pagodas 25,738 - 18 - 33 „ instead of Pagodas 52,913 „ – „ – „ as before estimated –

Madura – (signed) George Parish
20th January 1806 – Collr

To the Accountant General &
Civil Auditor

Sir,

Having received no Instructions from

you

you in regard to the payment of the Tappal Expences in this Division & having been frequently applied to by the Post Office writers for the liquidation of the arrears due to his Department I request you will be pleased to transmit the authority of Government for Defraying the Expences as stated to you in My Letter of the 24th December last —

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

Yerriode
27th Jany. 1806

To the General Agent of Salt Department —

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter Dated 8th Instant with its Enclosures — and to inform you, that the Statement & account Current with the D Vouchers corresponding therewith shall be forwarded Monthly. Particular attention shall also be paid to the transmission of the annual accounts as required — the Estimate required for the Current year (1806) is herewith enclosed —

The account Current & Statement of Manufactured & sold Salt Seperate for every Month from July to December 1805 — is preparing & shall be forwarded immediately — Owing my absence from my Cutcherry & accounts some Delay may probably occur but I hope at all events to be able to transmit those Document within a few Days —

27th Jany. 1806 —
(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

Yerriode —

To the President & Members of the
Board of Revenue

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Gentlemen

Para 1st. It is with extreme regret I have to acquaint you, that Most of the Zemindars of Dindigul have fallen in

in arrears to the Company in the payment of their first & Second Kists of the Current year to the amount of Star Pag.s 30,121:10:33 as p.r List accompanying ~

2.d The early appearance of an unfavorable Season, had in some Degree prepared me for this event, and which determined me to visit the different Estates in Dindigul, in Order to ascertain, whether the difficulty in realizing the Revenue arose in the want of Management on the part of the Zemindars, or was solely to be attributed to the Cause already Stated —

3. It must be Confessed that the Incapacity of some of the Zemindars and the difficulty of enforcing their Demands against the Ryots except by a regular Process of Law may be Considered in a Certain Degree, the Cause of their failure, but at the same time I deem it my Duty to State, that the General appearance of the Country - as well as the Examination of the actual States of the Crop, denotes a most deplorable want of rain - & that the difficulty of realizing the fixed Tribute will increase every Succeeding Month, unless a favorable Change should take place in the weather of which there is at present little appearance ~

4 The local Situation of some Estates Compared with others in the Zillah of Dindigul are so opposite in regard to fruitfulness of Soil - & advantage of rain, that it may be necessary to state that all the Zemindaries in the Valley or near the Hills have the benefit of Constant Showers from the Mountains whilst the Estates near & round Dindigul being situated on high ground participate in none of those advantages & to this Circumstance may be attributed that the last Mentioned Estates have suffered more from the

severity

Severity of the Season than others. The arrangements I have formed for securing the Dues of Government I shall have the honor of Submitting to you, in detail when the Settle=ment I am forming with the Ryots of the Defaulting Zemindars has been Completed.

5. I have to acquaint you that Ponniah Pillay who purchased a Zemindary at the late Sales having failed in Paying the Purchase Money at the time Specified, I have been under the Necessity some time ago of taking the Management of it into My Own hands, until it can be again disposed of at the risk of the first Purchaser. The unfavorable ap=pearance of the season has hitherto retarded the disposal of this Estate, & it May probably Continue under My Superintendance some time longer. I have been engaged in framing a Settlement with the Ryots which I shall have the honor of Submitting to you, when Completed.

6. I have also the honor of transmitting a Statement of Balances against the Zemindars in the Zillah of Ramnad.

(Signed) George Parish Collr

Yerriode
30th January 1806

To the Accountant General & Civil Auditor

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith the accounts Current of the Renters and Zemindars in the District of Dindigul for the last fusly in the Native Language duly authenticated.

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(Signed) George Parish Collr

Yerriode
31st January 1806

On the Passport Service

The Secretary to Government
in the Public Department

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that no Passports have been received or issued from this station in the Month of January 1806 –

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Madura – (Signed) George Parish, Collr

1st February 1806 –

To Charles Wetherell Esquire
Paymaster
Palamcottah

Sir,

I herewith transmit the Pay and Muster Rolls of the Lascars of Tents for last Month –

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Madura –
1st February 1806 – (Signed) George Parish, Collr

To the Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose the usual Monthly return of the Troops under the Command of Colonel Manuel Martinz –

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(Signed) George Parish, Collr

Dindigul –
3d February 1806

To R. Fullerton Esquire
General Agent for Salt Monopoly

Sir,

I have now the honor to forward the Monthly accounts of Salt &c &c according with my Treasury accounts to the end of December –

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The Charges of Stendy & Sadcrwared for the

Months

Months of July (from the 13th) August and September you will Observe, are not entered in the accounts Current for those Months - but are Charged in that of October -

The reasons I have to assign for this arrange=ment are - the Sibendy & Saderwared Charges in July and August exceeded the Revenue of those Months & the receipt from the Sale of Salt in September having been transferred to My Treasury account, previous to the transmission, of your Forms, for the preparation of those accounts -

I trust the Delay which has occurred in the preparation of the Documents now forwarded will not have occasioned any Inconvenience to your Department - being at this Moment at a great distance from My Cutcherry of accounts and having been under the necessity of referring to that Office, for Information after Completing the State=ments has unavoidably postponed their transmission until the present Period -

(Signed) George Parish Coll.

Dindegul
3d Feby. 1806

To the President & Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

Para 1st. I have had the honor to receive your Secretary's Letter of the 16th November, accompanying the Moyenzabitah lately Submitted by me for your Sanction for the Current fusly, in Order that such Changes - might be introduced as on fur their Consideration I might seem practicable, with reference to the Sug=gestions Communicated to me

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2d. Having been Seperated for Some Month past

past, from my Principal Cutcherry of accounts, my reply to that address has unavoidably been postponed until the present period, I shall now proceed to state the Information required & I trust the explanation will prove satisfactory to your Board —

3.° A desire not to deviate from the established form of a Moyenzabitah, in the transfer of any Charge to a different Head, under which it had hitherto been included, induced me to Continue the Mode followed until now, of submitting my Moyenzabitah distinct for each District — accordingly the Huzzoor Establishment of Servants of the unsettled Lands of Madura, as well as the Talook establishment of Nuttum & Auniyoor, Continued under the Head of "Dindigul" after the Introduction of the permanent System, & which naturally led to the Conclusion, that the expences of Management in that Province had not been reduced in the same proportion as had been Operated in other Districts by the Sale of the Lands —

4. The difficulty of stating with accuracy, the exact expence at which the Revenue Establishment is maintained in Dindigul, whilst that Zillah Continues attached to the unsettled Provinces of Madura, Nuttum & Auniyoor, induced me to forego making the Comparison — but, in Case it should be detached, — I apprehend the establishment of Servants required will not exceed what is usually allowed in other Districts —

5. I have agreeably to your Order, reduced the Huzzoor Establishment of Servants in the Zillah of Ramnad from the 1st of January in the Sum of S. Pag.s 56 ℔ Month

or 672 ℘r Year a small Increase has in Consequence taken place in the Moyenzabitah of Madura but by referring to the Nature of the Employ on which the Increase has taken place, & the total abolishment of it in the other District, I trust it will appear satisfactory — The Moyenzabitah submitted in my Letter of the October having Continued in force until the end of December, your Board will Observe that the Decrease noticed in Statement A does Correspond with the reduction just Mentioned — for to save the trouble of Obtaining Seperate Sanctions, I have included the actual Charges to the 31st of December & Calculated the Decrease from the Commencement of the present Year, amounting to 388.16.64 within the Fusly 1215 —

6\. The Establishment of Servants for Superintending the Salt Revenue, having been Seperately Submitted to Mr Fullerton, for which your Sanction will be Obtained through the Channel of that Gentlemans Department, I have Considered it unnecessary to include those Charges, in the present Moyenzabitah, and which I trust you will approve. In Order to shew however, the total Decrease will actually be effected in the Revenue Establishment in the Zillah of Ramnad it is necessary to deduct the Charge of S.P. F 1087.14.8 under the Head of "Decrease" in the Salt Department because that Sum will be Charged in a Seperate Moyenzabitah & which then gives a Reduction of S.P. F C 2628.21.24 ℘r year on a Comparison with the Expences in Fusly 1214 —

Decrease	
[Hu]zzoor Cutcherry	388.16.64
[..] Saderwarid	106.7.25
District & Custom	239.31.6
[Cu]stom Servants	1894.8.9
S.P.	2628.21.24

7\. In arranging the Moyenzabitah for Dindigul I have deemed it adviseable to exclude the Huzzoor Establishment

=lishment, altho' still inforce and annex that Charge to the =
Zillah of "Madura" — I am aware that this arrangement
is a mere transfer of the amount from One Head to another,
& that the Decrease which appears in the Comparison
of the Dindigul Moyenzabitah, is merely Nominal — but
I Considered that this Method would give your Board a
clearer In sight into the appropriation of the Expences as
well as enable me to prepare my accounts with more accuracy —
the Charges you will Observe are high on a Comparison with
the Revenues of the unsettled Districts under my Charge; — but
I beg leave to assure your Board, that the Superintendance of
two Collectorships, the Extent of the Correspondence with the
Zemindars, & the Numerous Statements required by the =
different public Offices has not in the least diminished
the Duties of my public servants —

8 In regard to the Province of Madura I beg =
leave to assure you, that after Obtaining your Sanction to
some general arrangements which I shall have the honor of
forwarding in a few Days, I shall, I hope, be prepared to
submit the permanent settlement for that District shortly
after the Close of the present year and which I trust will
be additional Motive, for your sanctioning the Moyen =
=Zabitah now recommended —

Dindigul —
4th Feby 1806 —

(Signed) George Parish Collr

The President & Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to transmit herewith a
statement of Demand Collection and Balance of the Zillah of
Ramnad

Ramnad &ca. for last Month

Madura (Signed) George Parish Collr.
7th February 1806

To the Accountant General and Civil Auditor
Fort Saint George

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith the Account Current of the Zillah of Ramnad &ca for last Month together with the vouchers appertaining thereto agreeably to the accompanying List of the Packet

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Madura (Signed) George Parish Collr.
7th February 1806

R. Fullerton Esquire
General Agent for Salt Monopoly

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith the Account Current & Statement of Salt Manufactured, sold, & Remaining on hand for last Month

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Palaney (Signed) George Parish Collr.
9th February 1806

To the President & Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

Para 1st The recent Establishment of a Judicial Court in the Zillah of Dindigul inducing me to believe that it is the Intention of Government eventually to Seperate the Revenue & Superintendance over that Province, from the Zillah of Ramnad I beg leave respectfully to suggest, the early appointment of a Collector for Dindigul

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2d The Employment of every Moment of My Own time in Superintending My Duties at Ramnad, and in preparing the permanent

permanent Settlement for the Province of Madura - & the Ob=
=vious Necessity, which exists that the Person holding the Si=
=tuation of Collector of Dindigul should reside Constantly in
that Province, More Particularly in a Season so unfavor=
=able as the present - will I trust induce your Board to
Support by your recommendation the Measure I have pro=
=posed -

3.d If it were Necessary to add Stronger reasons
than have already been assigned, I might Mention, that the
Distance from Dindigul to other Districts Subject to My
Superintendance is Much too great, to enable Me to act with
that promptitude, and Effect - which has become indispen=
=sably necessary, Owing to the badness of the season &
the attachments which are in Consequence likely to take place
this Year - (Signed) George Parish
Coll.r

Palaney -
11.th February 1806

To the Accountant General &
Civil Auditor

Sir,

Enclosed I have the honor to transmit the
account of Interest Saderwared & Sibbendy paid by the Zemindars
of Dindigul & Madura for arrears of Revenue accumulated in
Fusly 1214 - & which was Omitted to be forwarded with My
account Current for last Month -

Palaney (Signed) George Parish
Coll.r
11.th February 1806 -

To the Reporter General of
External Commerce
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of
your

your letter of the 17th December 1805 & agreeable to your desire I herewith transmit the statements of the External Trade in the Zillah of Ramnad for the last year as pr. accompanying List of the Packets with a Comparative statement between the year 1804 & 1805 –

(Signed) George Parish Collr

Palaney
14th February 1806 –

To the Accountant General & Civil Auditor

Sir,

I have herewith the honor to enclose my Extra Estimate of Expected Gross Collections Charges & D. Net Revenue for the ensuing Official Year –

Palaney (Signed) George Parish Collr
14th February 1806

To the Register to the
Sudder Foujdarry Adawlut

Sir, I have the honor of transmitting to you the D. Monthly reports for the last Month –

Seppacollum (Signed) George Parish Collr
15th Feby. 1806 –

To the President and Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to enclose Registers of D receipts issued by me to the Zemindars and to my Public Servants in the Zillah of Ramnad Dindigul and in the District of Madura for the Month of January 1806 –

(Signed) George Parish Collr

Madura
17th February 1806

To the Commercial Resident
Ramnad

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter enclosing a Government Bill in your favor for S. Pagodas 26400, the amount of which is now forwarded in the charge of the accompanying Guard.

Palaney — (Signed) George Parish
17th Feby 1806 Collr

To the Officer Commanding
Dindigul

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose herewith a List of the Prices of Grain and Provisions of every Sort in the several Buzars in the District of Dindigul —

Madura (Signed) George Parish Collr
18th Feby 1806

To the Officer Commanding
Madura

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose herewith a List of the Prices of Grain and Provisions of every sort in the several Buzars in the District of Madura —

Madura
18th Feby 1806. (Signed) George Parish
Collr

To the Register of the
Zillah Court of Ramnad

Sir,

I have the honor to forward you by the accompanying Guard the amount of the Indent for salary of the Establishment of the Court for January 1806 as pr account current and request you will acknowledge the receipt —

The

The Batta Bill is also enclosed which I will thank you to sign and return

Madura (Signed) George Parish Coll^r.

19th February 1806

To the Accountant General and Civil Auditor

Sir

Para^h 1st From circumstances which I have detailed to the Board of Revenue the Gross receipts of My Treasury for next Month are likely to be decreased in the sum of Star Pagodas 49843 " 28 " 56

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2^d The Charges will remain as before estimated in the sum of Star Pagodas 6912 " " and Consequently leave My Nett appropriable revenue at the sum of Star Pag^s 32,244 - 13 - 24 instead of Pagodas 82,088 " " as before estimated

(Signed) George Parish Coll^r.

Madura

20th Feby 1806

To the Reporter General of External Commerce Fort S^t. George

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith the Statements of External Trade of the District of Madura for the last year as p^r accompanying List of the Packet with a Comparative Statement between the year 1804 & 1805

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(Signed) George Parish Coll^r.

Dindigul

23^d Feby 1806

To the Accountant General & Civil Auditor

Sir,

I have this Day granted a receipt N° 1 for

for Cash paid on account of the Loan published in the Government Gazette of the 16th January 1806 – for the Sum of Star Pagodas One Thousand four hundred & Seventy – (1470) in favor of David Cockburn Esq dated 28th February 1806 for which sum I shall give Credit in my accounts for February 1806 –

(Signed) George Parish
Collr

Madura
28th February 1806 –

To the Reporter General of
External Commerce
Fort Saint George

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith the Statements of the External Trade in the District of Din-digul for the last year as pr accompanying List of the Packet –

(Signed) George Parish
Collr

Tippacollum
28th February 1806

On the Passport Service

The Secretary to Government
in the Public Department

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose Copies of the register of Passports received and issued from this station in the Month of February 1806 –

(Signed) George Parish
Collr

Tippacollum
1st March 1806 –

To the Accountant General & Civil Auditor

Sir,

I have this day granted a receipt No 2 for Cash paid on account of the Loan published in the Government Gazette of the 16th January 1806 for the Sum of Star Pagodas One thousand five hundred (1500) in favor of M. Christy Esq dated 1st March 1806 for which sum, I shall give Credit

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in My accounts for March 1806

Teppacollum (Signed) George Parish Collr.
1st. March 1806

To the Accountant General and Civil Auditor

Sir, The enclosed Receipt granted by me to Mr. Christy Esqre. for the Sum of 1500 Star Pagodas on account of the Government Loan I have the honor to forward in Order that a Certificate under the Signature of the Secretary to Government May be transmitted for the amount agreeable to the terms published in the Government Gazette under date the 16th. January

Mr. Christy having no agents at Madras has induced me to transmit the receipt direct to you

Teppacollum (Signed) George Parish Collr.
1st. March 1806

No. 2. I do hereby acknowledge that Mathew Christy Esqre. has this day paid into the Honble Company's Treasury under my charge, the sum of Star Pags. 1500 " " for which he is entitled to receive (upon presenting this receipt at the accountant General's Office) a Promissary note to be dated this Day and payable Conformably to the Conditions of the Loan published in the Madras Gazette of the 16th. January 1806

Madura (Signed) George Parish Collr.
1st. March 1806

To the Accountant General & Civil Auditor

Sir,

I have this Day granted a Receipt

No. 3

No. 3. for Cash paid on account of the Loan published in the Government Gazette of the 16th January 1806 for Star Pagodas four thousand five hundred (4500) in favor of John Read Esquire Dated the 1st March 1806 for which sum, I shall give Credit in my ac=
=counts for this Month

Teppacollum
1st March 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

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To the Officer Commanding
Madura

Sir,

I request you will be pleased to Order a sufficient Guard to attend my Cutcherry for the purpose of escorting (100,000) One lac Star Pagodas from hence to the Presidency

Teppacollum
1st March 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

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To Charles Wetherell Esquire
Paymaster
Palamcottah

Sir,

I herewith transmit the Pay and Muster Rolls of the Lascars of Tents for last Month

Teppacollum
1st March 1806

(Signed) Geo. Parish
Collr.

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To the Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose the usual
=Monthly

D Return of the Troops under the Command of Colonel Mc Martin

(Signed) George Parish
Colltr

Teppacollum
4th March 1806

To the Register of the
Zillah Court of Ramnad.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward you by the accompanying Guard the amount of the Indent for the
D Salary of the Establishment of the Court for Feby 1806 as pr account Current and request you will acknowledge the receipt

The Batta Bill is also enclosed which I will thank to Sign and return

(Signed) George Parish
Colltr

Teppacollum
6th March 1806

To John Wallace Esquire
Principal Collector of the
Southern Division

Sir,

D I have the honor to enclose First of a sett of Bills received from the 2d Judge on Circuit for St Pagodas 1068„ 30„ the receipt of which I request you will be pleased to acknowledge in Duplicate as directed by the Accountant General and Civil Auditor

(Signed) George Parish
Colltr

Madura
6th March 1806

The President & Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to transmit herewith a Statement of Demand Collection and Balance of the Zillah of Ramnad &c.a for last Month

Teppacollum
7.th March 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Coll.r

To the Accountant General and
Civil Auditor
Fort S.t George

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith the Account Current of the Zillah of Ramnad &c.a for last month, together with the vouchers appertaining thereto agreeably to the accompanying List of the Packet

Teppacollum
7.th March 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Coll.r

To the Accountant General &
Civil Auditor

Sir,

In My Account Current for the Month of February I have Credited the Sum of S. Pag.s 1470 received from Mr. David Cockburn on account of the Loan published in the Government Gazette of the 16.th January 1806 but not having received Instructions from you under what head this Sum is to be entered I have left it Blank for your Insertion

Teppacollum
7.th March 1806

(Signed) George Parish Coll.r

To the President & Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to enclose the Copy of a

a Letter from the Superintendant Surgeon of the Southern Division of the Army I request your authority may be Conveyed to me for pay=ing the Sum of 104„ 34„ 40„ due to the native Vaccinators under the explanation afforded by Doctor Watson –

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Teppacollum (Signed) George Parish Collr

8th March 1806

Statement of Arrears due to the undermentioned native Vaccinators for the Months of July & August 1805

	S. P.	F.	C.
Moottoo Naig for July	27	13	40
Moottoo Naig for July	21	27	"
Moottoo Naig for August	31	18	"
Moottoo Naig for August	24	18	"
Total	104	34	40

(Signed) George Parish Collr

To the Accountant General & Civil Auditor

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit the Quarterly Statement of Vaccine Inoculation in the Zillah of Ramnad &ca agreeable to the Form sent to me under date 20th February 1806 –

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(Signed) George Parish Collr

Teppacollum –

8th March 1806

R. Fullerton Esquire

General Agent for Salt Monopoly

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Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith the Account Current and Statement of Salt Manufactured sold and remaining on hand for last Month.

Madura – (Signed) George Parish Collr

8th March 1806

J. Wright Esquire

Sir,

In answer to your Letter of the I have the honor to acquaint you - that the Necessary Orders were given to the Ranee of Ramnad for Promulgating by beat of Tom Tom the approaching Pearl Fishery at arrippoo -

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Madura (Signed) George Parish

10th March 1806 - Collr

To the Register to the Provincial Court of Circuit & appeal

Trichinopoly

Sir,

Enclosed I have the honor to transmit authenticated Copies of two Proclamations published in the Southern Countries under the authority of Government as Called for in your Letter of the 19th ultimo

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Seppacollam (Signed) George Parish

11th March 1806 - Collr

To the Sub Collector

Trichinopoly

Sir,

1st I have been favored with your Letter of the 18th February, enclosing a Deposition of the Inhabitants of Sheindoor relative to a boundary Dispute between them, & the Ryots of Boochynaick Pollam -

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2d The frequent references which the Dispute in question has given rise to you may be acquainted with - & unless some Mode be adopted for finally adjusting it - the Inhabitants of both Districts will Continue to Commit the Irregularties of which you Complain -

3. I would therefore beg leave to Suggest, the appointment of two Persons to fix the Boundary stones, with

reference to Evidence which May be produced; both Parties binding themselves, to agree to the Decision which May be Made

Teppacollum 11th March 1806 — (Signed) George Parish Colln

To the President & Members of the Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

Para 1st I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Secretary's Letter of the 23d January —

2d The early appearance of an unfavorable Season in the Southern Countries induced Me to adopt every precaution to secure for the use of the Troops in the Garrison of Madura the whole quantity of the public Grain which had been received last year under your Instructions, from the Ryots of that Province —

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3d The Distress which results to the public in a large Town, by a sudden decrease in the daily Supply of Grain for the Market was severely felt in Madura — but the Troops I am happy to add experienced no Inconvenience the public Store having been opened solely for their benefit —

4. The Grain on hand to the 10th Instant — amounts to Garce 71 — Md 87 — Mr " which will be sufficient for One thousand fighting Men, for the space of four Months, allowing each Man 2 Measures of Paddy ℔ Day — it would therefore appear unnecessary to send any Rice from the Presidency to this Garrison —

(Signed) George Parish Colln

Teppacollum — 12th March 1806 —

To the Secretary to the Committee of
General Police

Sir,

I have the honor to forward agree=
=ably to your desire a List of all Servants employed under me in the Revenue & Police Departments also the Copy of a Letter to the Board of Revenue on Submitting My Moyen=
=Zabitah for Fusly 1215 ~

(Signed) George Parish
Colr

Teppacollum,
13.th March 1806

To the Register to the
Sudder Foujdarry Adawlut

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith enclosed a Report of Prisoners Confined under Sentence passed by the Court of Circuit for the Southern Division Conformable to Section XXX of Regulation VI A.D. 1802

Teppacollum
14.th March 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Magistrate

To the Register to the
Sudder Foujdarry Adawlut

Sir,

I have the honor of transmitting to you the Monthly Reports for the last Month ~

Teppacollum ~
15.th March 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Colr

To the President and Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to enclose Registers of

Receipts

Receipts issued by me to the Zemindars and to my Public servants in the Zillah of Ramnad, Dindigul & in the District of Madura for the Month of February 1806

Madura
15th March 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Collr

To the Commercial Resident
Ramnad

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter enclosing a Government Bill in your favor for Star Pagodas 17600 " – " the amount of which is now forwarded in the Charge of the accompanying Guard as ₱ Invoice enclosed

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Seppacollum
20th March 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Collr

To the Accountant General and
Civil Auditor
Fort Saint George

Sir,

Para 1st. From Circumstances which I have detailed to the Board of Revenue the Gross Receipts of my Treasury for Next Month are likely to be decreased in the sum of Star Pagodas 54569 " 39 " 52

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2d. The Charges will remain as before estimated in the sum of Star Pagodas 7262 " – " and Consequently leave my Nett appropriable Revenue at the sum of Star Pagodas 54168 " 2 " 28 instead of Pagodas 108738 " – " as before estimated

Madura
21st March 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Collr

To the Accountant General and
Civil Auditor

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith the Quarterly accounts of this Station with the Necessary List of the Packet as p.r prescribed form,

Madura
21.st March 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Coll.r

To the Officer Commanding
Madura

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose herewith a List of the Prices of Grain and Provisions of every Sort in the Several Bazars in the District of Madura

Madura
22.d March 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Coll.r

To the Officer Commanding
Dindigul

Sir

I have the honor to enclose herewith a List of the Prices of Grain & Provisions of every Sort in the Several Bazars in the District of Dindigul

Madura
22.d March 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Coll.r

To the Accountant General &
Civil Auditor
Fort S.t George

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit the Register of Receipts granted by me on account of Loan of the Madras Government in the Month of February 1806

Madura
26.th March 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Coll.r

To the Deputy Secretary to the
Military Board

Sir,

D I have the honor to transmit an Abstract of Compensation Money in lieu of Clothing for the years 180[illegible] and 1804 due to the Lascars attached to this Department as pr Rolls accompanying

Madura (Signed) George Parish
26th March 1806 Collr

To the Acting Magistrate
in Zillah of Ramnad

Sir,

D The Bearer will deliver to you the Evidences requested for in your Letter of the 15th Instant Viz Pereatomby Pillay, Wennarasa Sewen, & Wadawalen Inhabitants of Wondary Village

Madura (Signed) George Parish
26th March 1806 Collr

To the President & Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

D Agreeably to the Orders Conveyed to me by your Secretary under date the 20th February 1805 I have the honor to request that a Grant may be Obtained for

R Mr Sulivan for the ground he occupies in the Zillah of Ramnad — that Gentleman having furnished the prescribed Certificate under the Seal & Signature of the Ranee Mungalaswery Nautchyar as pr Translate herewith enclosed

(Signed) George Parish
Teppacollum Collr
28th March 1806

Translate

Translate of a Written Document passed by the Ranee Zemindar of Ramnad, for Land granted by her to J. S. Sulivan Esquire Deputy Commercial Resident at Ramnad – dated the 8th of Pertaussy, of the Crothana varushon, answering to the 21st Septr. 1805 –

Whereas having this Day granted to Mr. John Stuart Sulivan for his Occupancy, Land to the extent of 338,815 Square Feet, equal to 5 Cawnies, 21 grounds & 415 Square Feet, to the South of Letchme-hoorney without the Fort of Ramnad – situated as follows – to the West of the East Village, to the North of the South Village – to the East of the Road leading towards the West, and to the South of Letchmehoorney, – This Land, thus situated, you will hold possession of as your Property so long as the Sun and Moon exist – with power, by virtue of this Deed, to enjoy as well as to dispose of according to your Pleasure – Paying however a land-Tax at the rate of One Star Pagoda pr. annum –

(Signed) Shaitopathee Ranee
Mungalaiswery Nautchyar

(A true Copy)

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

To the Accountant General and
Civil Auditor

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose Mr. Christy's Receipt for a Government Promissary note for 1500 S. P.s as

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directed in your Letter of the 19th Instant.

Teppacollum
28th March 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Collr

This is to Certify that a Government Pro=
=missary Note, Registered as No. 1147 in My favor
for S. Pagodas 1500 has been Safely delivered into My
hands by the Collector of Madura

March 26th
1806

(Signed) M. Christy

To Narrain Rowe, appointing him to Superintend
the Ameens sent to the Different Estates in
Dindigul, with Instructions for his Conduct 28th
March 1806

In addition to the Hookumnamahs
furnished to the ameens (of which you have also a Copy)
you are required to attend to the following Instruction

The Object of your appointment is to Super=
=intend the ameens sent to the different Estates to prevent
the tedious delay of individual references to Me for Orders
which will now proceed through the Channel of your Of=
=fice & to enable Me to keep a strict and Constant Check
on every ameen under your Orders

In Many of the Estates I have formed
a Jumma with the Ryots & have given their Ennavelly
Puttums according to those Puttums you will Collect
the Rent when you receive Orders to assume an Estate
To enable You to do this with Justice you will in

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the first instance assemble the Curnums of those Estates & Compare the Jumma with the Collections made by the Zemindar - after ascertaining this Point, you will enforce the collection of the Balances due according to the Regulations -

The Estates of Atchall Naig are now Surveying by two Persons from the Huzzoor - according to the actual Cultivation Carried on, the Settlement is to be made without reference to Shavy & Moolywooroolly - Some Disputes now exist between the Zemindar & his Ryots about Cowle granted them last year you will form the Settlement on both Principle Vizt - according the Company's established Teerwa Dittum & the Cowles granted by the Zemindar - after having transmitted these accounts to the Huzzoor, you will receive further Instructions upon the Subject -

Shengooview he I understand the Means of Paying the Circar Peshcush in actual Engagements with the Ryots you will examine them particularly from the accounts with which the Zemindar will furnish you - & from the actual Vussool Baucky & report the same for my Information - until you receive further Order from me - you will not assume the Zemindary of Moolamungalum -

The Same Instructions apply to Palaney-Mootto Pilly and Meera Rawtten -

I Know not what arrangements has been made by Velapa Naig & Appaju Counden you will also enquire into them & report the same - as soon as possible Moottoo Comaur Monigar Must State the same Information -

In all these Cases (Vizt Velapa Naig - Appaju

Counden

& Moottoo Comaur Monigar) I rely upon the Most Minute & Particular accounts from you - & Shall hold you personally responsible for any incorrect Report which you may furnish, - If you find that the Resources are not adequate to the Payment of the Peshcush you will be immediately furnished with further Orders upon the Subject -

The Ameens have been directed to Obey your Orders -

The Moyenzabitah which has been established, will be paid through you to them as well as your Own Establishment on Sending a Barawared to the Cutcherry -

In regard to the Estates which Appiah Naig of Connewaddy possesses in Dindigul you will receive Orders hereafter -

(Signed) George Parish
Coll.

The Secretary to Government
in the Public Department

Sir

I have the honor to inform you that no Passports have been received or issued from this Station in the Month of March 1806 -

(Signed) George Parish
Coll.

Madura
1st April 1806 -

To Charles Wetherell Esquire
Paymaster Palamcottah

Sir,

I herewith transmit the Pay and Muster rolls of the Lascars of Tents for last Month -

Madura 1st April 1806 - (Signed) George Parish
Coll.

R. Fullerton Esquire
General Agent of Salt Revenue

Sir,

Agreeably to the desire expressed in your Letter of the 5th ultimo you shall be informed of the pro=bable number of Regular Rawanahs required Monthly so soon as I can ascertain it — As the number hitherto sent have been all expended, & the sale of Salt is now at a stand for want of them, I request the favor to be furnished with at least two hundred Rawannahs by return of Tappal.

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

Nellore
2d April 1806 —

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To the Secretary to the Committee of
Finance
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receip[t] of your Letter of the 25th ultimo Calling for certain Information relative to the better arrangement of the Post Office Depart=ment —

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Previous to submitting my reply upon this subject — I request the favor to be informed — whether the mode of paying the Tappal Expences as proposed in my Letter to the Accountant General, of the 20th November last has been approved by the Committee of Finance — By reference to my Letter you will observe that the Post Office between Palam=cottah & Madura is at present under the Control of a Person residing at the former Station in the same Manner as the Superintendance of the Dindigul Tappal is regulated by the Deputy Post Master at Trichinopoly — Should the Committee therefore

31. № 41.

Concur with Me in Opinion that the payment of so extensive a Range is likely to retard the expeditious Conveyance of the Post. as affording no efficient Check over the Native Estab=lishment of Runners - it will be necessary that the Inform=ation I have been Called upon to submit for the above=mentioned Stations ought to be Obtained through the Channel of the Collectors of Tinnevelly & Trichinopoly. —

Mellore (Signed) George Parish Coll^r
3^d April 1806.

To the Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Sir,

Enclosed I have the honor to transmit the Monthly Return of the Troops in the Garrison of Ramnad —

Mellore (Signed) George Parish Coll^r
3^d April 1806 —

To the Register to the Zillah Court Ramnad

Sir,

In charge of the accompanying Guard I have the honor to transmit the amount of the Judicial Indent for the Month of March being S.P. " F " C " —

Mellore — (Signed) George Parish Coll^r
4th April 1806.

To the General Agent of Salt Monopoly —

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 5 ult^o & have now the pleasure to transmit a statement of the Retail Prices of Salt in the principal Villages in the Zillah of Ramnad taking the average distance of 10 Miles from the Salt Pans - You will Observe that the profit

Profit derived by the Merchants is extremely small on a Comparison with the distance the Salt is transported –

Since the Establishment of the Salt Monopoly no other but the Regular Rawanahs received from you have been issued in the Districts under My Charge but under proper Restrictions I apprehend no Danger of abuse, should Native Passes be granted for small quantities of Salt – Confining the Distance of Conveyance to 10 Miles from the Pans – Presuming that this Suggestion Meets with your approval I shall require 350 regular Rawanahs Monthly from your – Department –

In Consideration of the encreased Responsibility attached to the due & faithful Superintendance of the Salt Monopoly – I took the Liberty of recommending a Increase of Pay to all the Servants employed, as a liberal Reward for their Labour appears the best Method of insuring their Fidelity – I hope therefore, that the Moyenzabitah lately submitted, will meet with your Support and Sanction –

Nellore
7th April 1806

(Signed) Geo. Parish
Collr.

The President and Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to transmit herewith a Statement of Demand Collection and Balance of the Zillah of Ramnad &ca. for last Month –

Madura –
7th April 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

To the Accountant General and Civil Auditor
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith the

the Account Current of the Zillah of Ramnad &c.ª for last Month together with the vouchers appertaining thereto, agreeably to the accompanying List of the Packet

Madura (Signed) George Parish Coll.^r
7.th April 1806

R.^d Fullerton Esquire
General Agent for Salt Monopoly
Fort St George

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith the Account Current and Statement of Salt Manufactured Sold and remaining on hand for last Month

(Signed) G.^e Parish Coll.^r

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Madura
8.th April 1806

To the Commercial Resident
Ramnad

Sir,

I have herewith the honor to enclose Quarterly Returns of the Quantity of Cloth exported in the Zillah of Ramnad from the 1.st January to the 31.st March 1806

(Signed) George Parish Coll.^r

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Madura
9.th April 1806

To the Officer Commanding the
1.st Battalion 20.th Reg.^t

Sir,

The Bearer will deliver into your charge the person of Shasiah being a Deserter from the 1.st Batt.^n 20 Reg.^t & I request that the usual allowance of three Pagodas for apprehending him may be paid

(Signed) George Parish Coll.^r

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Mellore
13. April 1806

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To the Sub Treasurer

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose a Bill for 41 S.P.s 36 F. 48 C. on account of Charges for Conveyance of Treasure to the Presidency in June 1804 for which I request your receipt May be Conveyed to Me placing this sum at the same time to My Credit in your accounts —

Mellore 14th April 1806 (Signed) George Parish Collr.

The Hon'ble Company - - - - - - - - - - - Dr.

To amount Charges on remitting 75,000 S.P.s in Port Nova Pagodas from Madura to the Presidency in June 1804 - - - - Pag.s 41-36-48

Madura — 14th Apl. 1806 (Signed) Geo. Parish Collr.

To the President & Members of the Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to enclose Registers of receipts issued by Me to the Zemindars and to My Public Servants in the Zillah of Ramnad Dindigul and in the District of Madura for the Month of March 1806

Madura — 15th April 1806. (Signed) George Parish Collr.

To the Register to the Sudder Foujdarry Adawlut

Sir,

I have the honor of transmitting to you the monthly Reports for the last Month —

Madura — 15th April 1806 (Signed) G. Parish Collr.

To the Officer Commanding
Dindigul

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose herewith a List of the Prices of Grain and Provisions of every sort in the several Bazars in the District of Dindigul —

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Madura (Signed) George Parish Collr
15th April 1806

To the Officer Commanding
Madura

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose herewith a List of the Prices of Grain and Provisions of every sort in the several Bazars in the District of Madura —

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Madura (Signed) George Parish Collr
15th April 1806 —

To the Officer Commanding the
Garrison of Madura —

Sir,

I request you will be pleased to send to my Cutcherry in the fort of Madura, a sufficient Guard to escort 13,200 S. Pagas to the Commercial Factory at Ramnad

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Mellore — (Signed) George Parish Collr
16th April 1806

To the Commercial Resident
Ramnad

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter enclosing a Government Bill in your favor for S. Pagas 13,200 the amount of which is now forwarded in the charge of the accompanying Guard as pr Invoice enclosed —

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(Signed) George Parish Collr
Madura
17th Apl 1806 —

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To the Accountant General and
Civil Auditor
Fort St. George

Sir,

Para. 1st From Circumstances which I have detailed to the Board of Revenue the Gross receipts of My Treasury for next Month are likely to be decreased in the sum of Star Pagodas 46004-15-44-

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2d The Charges will remain as before estimated in the sum of Star Pagodas 7157- " - " - and Consequently leave My Nett appropriable Revenue at the sum of Star Pagodas 52,338-26-36 instead of Pags. 98343 - " - " as before estimated -

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Madura
21st April 1806-

(Signed) G. Parish
Colr.

To Lieutt. Talbot
2d Battn. 22d Regt.
Madura

Sir,

1st I enclose for your Information two Depositions sworn to before Me by Persons Charging you with having beaten and illused them -

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The Judicial Regulations not permitting Me to take Cognizance of a Charge, where Criminal Information is lodged against an European being in the Company's Service but directing that such Defendant shall be forthwith removed to the Presidency there to be Made over to the Sheriff - for the purpose of taking his Trial before the Supreme Court, it will become My Duty to enforce these Orders, unless an arrangement be Speedily

made,

made which shall be satisfactory to the Complainants, and render My public Interference unnecessary

The Complainants you will Observe have laid no Claims to Compensation in Damage for the assault Committed on them - but seem Only desirous to Obtain a Discharge from your Service - & the adjustment of their Wages for the Current Month -

(Signed) George Parish Coll.

Sindoopatty
25th April 1806 -

Translate of a Complaint made on the 24th April 1806 by Goorunathen an upper - servant of Lieut. Talbot -

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I am a Native of & residing in the Fort of Madura - I was recommended to Lieut. Talbot by the writer of Lieut. & adjt. Rygaud, & was employed as Dubash @ 2 S. Ps. pr month since the Month of February last - On the 22d Instant having received information that My Brother was Ill at Trichinopoly I applied to the Writer took him with me to Lieut. Talbot, & requested for permission to go & see My Brother at Trichinopoly - but that Gentleman refusing to grant permission, not Only struck the writer & shoved him out of the House, but shutting the Door, gave Me also several Blows with his Fist, and beat Me with a stick also - Numberless were the Blows & lashes he gave Me - I then declared I would serve him no longer & gave up the Keys & accounts which were with Me, but without receiving them, he (Lieut. Talbot) threw the Keys at Me, and destroyed the accounts - As the Gentleman wanted to strike Me again with the stick, I left the Keys on the Table, & forcibly Opening Door, ran to the Adjutant (Meaning Lieut. Rygaud) accompanied by the

Writer

writer to whom we Complained – we were directed by that Gentleman to go to the Captain – we did so – after hearing our Complaint, He (the Captain) Ordered us to go to the Collector – Whereupon I came & Complained to your honor – I wish no longer to Serve Lieut.t Talbot – therefore request that My Wages for the twenty two Days I have served in this Month, & the $3\frac{3}{4}$ fanams due to me according to accounts be Ordered to be paid to me –

(Signed) Gooroonathen

Sworn to before me at Sindoopully this 25.th Day of April in the Year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred and Six

(Signed) Geo. Parish
Coll.r

Translate of a Complaint Made on the 24.th April by Chokalingum –

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I am a Native & resident Inhabitant of Madura of the Shepherd Cast – Having been recommended to Lieut.t Talbot by the writer of Lieut.t & Adj.t Rygaud, I was employed as a Peon at $1\frac{1}{2}$ Star Pagoda per Month from the 15.th February last – From that Day he has been in the Habit of Striking & Ill-Using me – Early in the Morning of the 21.st Instant, My Master Lieut.t Talbot Ordered me to have the House-Cloth taken down & given to the Washer=man to be Washed – Having immediately looked for the Kuttoovailakarers to get the Cloth taken down, I could not meet with any of them as they were all employed in the Chuppa=rom for Alagur Swamy, I therefore intended to get some of those Men the next Morning, when Lieut.t Talbot questioned me, why the Cloth was not taken down & Washed – I told him the reason – whereupon he asked me whether I could not get up to the Cloth & take it down myself I

replied

I could not - that I knew not how to do it, & as the House was very high, that the Kuttoovailakarers Could Only take the Cloth down — Lieut.t Talbot then shut the room door & struck me forcibly on my Eyes & on the pit of my Stomach unable to bear the Blows, I forced open the Door & ran out to the Captain in Command, to whom I Complained, but was referred to the Collector — I therefore came and Complained to your honor — I wish not to Continue any longer in the service of that Gentleman — whose Badge I shall here deliver — for if I was to take it to him, He would beat me again I therefore request that the Badge be sent to Lieut.t Talbot, & that Officer required to pay me for the twenty two Days I served him in this Month —

(Marked) Chokalingum

Sworn to before me at Sendoopully this 25.th Day of April in the Year of Our Lord One thousand eight Hundred and Six —

(Signed) George Parish
Coll.r

To the General Agent of Salt Monopoly —

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Sir, I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 7.th Instant, and in answer beg leave to acquaint you that from the relative situations of the Custom Choukies & Salt Pans it does not appears advisable to unite the Superintendance of those Departments in any places on the Coast of Ramnad & Shewagungah —

To Contract the Expences of Management, I have lately discontinued the Employment of Moniejars at the Custom Choukies & Considering that the whole Duty is at present performed by One Sumperdy resident at each Place — & that the vigilant Superintendance over the Salt Manufacturers requires the Person in Charge to be

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Constantly travelling between the Salt Pans within his Range - I should apprehend that great Inconvenience & Loss to the public might result from the arrange=-ment, you have proposed —

Auniyoor (Signed) G. Parish Coll.

26th April 1806 -

To the Cutwall of Madura

The frequent attempts which have of late been Made to disturb the Peace & tranquility of the Town of Madura - & a Conviction that the Number of Peons at present employed are unequal to the Task of afford=-ing Protection to all - has induced Me to employ in ad=-dition the present Police Establishment - 4 Duffa=-dars & 100 Peons to be under your Orders & to be Commanded by Jemidar Shaick Modeen who will draw an additional allowance of 4 C. Chs. per Month for that Extra Duty.

The arrangement for the Protection of the Town - I leave to you - holding you & the Jemidar responsible that no Robberies are Committed - & that the Peace of the Inhabitants is not disturbed -

It is to be Considered a Principal part of every Peons Duty - to fly with the Swiftness of Wind to any Place when a fire may break out - to post themselves in all the avenues leading to it - to prevent bad designing People from plundering whilst a Certain number are engaged in extinguishing the flames -

The public & Open Procession of the Cutwall with Peons & flambeaux is to be discontinued instead of which you are to visit the different Parts of the Town

without

noise & tumult - Changing the hour of your starting every night - so that no Person may know when you are coming

The Order of taking upon any Person after 11 O'Clock at Night who cannot give a good account of himself is to be considered strictly in force -

- Instead of only going the Rounds you are to post a small number of Peons in each Street who are constantly to round to see that all is quiet & safe - Whatever other regulation you may make for the safety of the Town you will write on Paper & send them to me for approval, after which you will receive Orders to enforce them -

Sindooputty (Signed) G. Parish, Coll^r

30th April 1806

To the President & Members of the Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

Para 1st Agreeably to the Directions of the Civil Auditor I have the honor to lay before you, Extracts of the Audit & Reaudit of my accounts as Collector of Tinnevelly & Poligar Peshcush from the 1st of February to the 12th July 1803 and from the 13th July 1803 to the 12th July 1804 -

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2^d The Charges for which Mr Smith requires the sanction of Government, that Gentleman has uniformly admitted for the last years in the accounts of my Predecessors, Messrs Powney, Jackson & Lushington, upon quoting the Dates of Authorities but the Civil Auditor deems them now too old, and states that some are not to be found in his Office

3^d The Statements I have now the honor to submit are composed of the actual sums charged in my accounts,

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and I trust that the Explanation which is annexed will induce your Board to relieve Me from the Responsibility which it would appear the Civil Auditor attaches to Disbursements unless the Sanction of Government is Obtained every year for the amount

It May Only also be necessary to add that the Sums now retrenched were passed to the late Collector Mr. Lushington's Credit, on the final audit of his accounts up to the 31st January 1803. Notwithstanding which the Civil Auditor has retrenched them in My accounts for the whole fusly Vizt. from the 13th July 1802 to the 12th July 1803 —

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30th April 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

The Secretary to Government
in the Public Department

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that no Passports have been received or issued from this station in the Month of April 1806 —

Madura
1st May 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

To Charles Wetherell Esquire
Paymaster
Palamcottah

Sir,

I herewith transmit the Pay and Muster Rolls of the Lascars of Tents for last Month —

Madura
1st May 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

To the Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose the usual Monthly Return of the Troops under the Command of Colonel Manuel Martinz —

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(signed) George Parish Collr.

Madura
3d. May 1806

To the Register of the Zillah Court of
Ramnad

Sir,

I have the honor to forward by the accompanying Guard the amount of the Indent for Salary of the Establishment of the Court for April 1806 as ℘r. account current —

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the Batta Bill I'll thank you to Sign & return

Madura
3d. May 1806

(signed) George Parish Collr.

The President & Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to transmit herewith a Statement of Demand Collection and Balance of the Zillah of Ramnad &ca. for last Month —

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(signed) George Parish Collr.

Madura
7th. May 1806

To the Accountant General and
Civil Auditor
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith the Account current of the Zillah of Ramnad &ca. for last Month together with the Vouchers appertaining thereto agreeably to the accompanying List of the Packet —

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(signed) George Parish Collr.

Madura
7th. May 1806

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R. Fullerton Esquire

General Agent for Salt Monopoly

Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith the Account Current and Statement of Salt Manufactured Sold and remaining on hand for last Month –

Madura
8th May 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Coll.r

Instructions to the Head Tasildar of the Pollams of Tinnevelly under assumption to the Company for arrears of Tribute 8th May 1806 –

I have appointed you Head Tasildar of all such Pollams in Tinnevelly as are, or may Come under assumption to the Company for Arrears of Tribute

A Copy of the Regulations under which you are to act are given to you for Information and Guidance –

All Ameens which May be sent to different Estates in the Pollams, will be directed to Obey your Orders, and all Orders to them will be Communicated to them through you –

Every point of Revenue arrangement having been finally and Conclusively adjusted by the Regulations of Government, you are to Consider that any Deviation from them Cannot fail being accompanied by Evil Consequences. It therefore becomes your Duty, to Consider Seriously the result of Dis=Obedience, and that I do not possess the inclination or Means to enterfere in your behalf – where you have wilfully disre=garded the Order of the Circar –

In October last, I sent a Hookem-Namah and

Proclamation to the Pollams of Tinnevelly - directing the Poligars not to Collect any part of their Revenue without previous Specific Engagements being entered into between them and their Ryots the Object of this Orders is that in Case of assumption, the Circar Servants May Know, where a Balance is due, and why to enforce their Demands against the Ryots - you are therefore when I Order you to assume a Pollam to enquire whether this Order has been Obeyed - Where the Poligars have attended to it - you will Collect the Revenue Strictly Conformably with those Engagements, neither adding or reducing the amount taking the Balance due by the Ryot to the Poligars at the Date of assumption as the Balance to be Collected by you for the Circar -

Where you Observe that Owing to any old agreement between the Poligars and his Ryots, the Collection has not been realized - you will Conform to Section Regulation which directs that in Case of Dispute it is to be adjusted by the Mamool which was Observed the year preceding the permanent settlement and which is accordingly to guide all Decisions of this nature

Where you find that the Poligars have entered into engagements with the Head Inhabitants of Village for the Payment of a fixed Rent, you are to Consider such Head Inhabitants as the Only responsible Person to the Government for the Payment of such rent - and where it May appear that Owing to Dispute or difference with the under Tenants, he Cannot Make good his payment - you will report the same to Me, and wait for Orders -

The Regulations ordain (which you will Observe) Certain Rules to be Observed for the Distraint and Sale of Property and goods of Ryots who refuse to Pay their Rent - I have to Observe that whilst you adhere to those Regulations every thing you

so will be lawful, but that any Deviation from them in the smallest particular, will not only excuse such Ryot from the Payment of the Balance due by him, but will subject you to a Prosecution in the Adawlut Court for illegal Destraint punishable by fine –

By attentively perusing the Regulations you will understand all those Points – I recommend it therefore to you to make yourself Master of this subject –

Commissioners will be appointed to value & sell Property to enable you to put such property up to sale, and until their nomination you will not enterfere with such Ryots as may Owe Balances to the Poligar or to the Circar –

(Signed) George Parish Collr.

To the Register to the Sudder Foujdarry
Adawlut

Sir,

In answer to your Letter of the 2d Instant I have the honor to acquaint you that there are no Prisoners in the Zillah of Madura under sentence of Transportation –

Teroomungalum (Signed) George Parish
10th May 1806 Collr.

To the Accountant General and Civil Auditor
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith the annual Estimate of Monthly Receipts, Charges, and Nett Revenue for 1806/7 –

Madura (Signed) George Parish
10th May 1806 Collr.

To the Senior Judge & Judges of the
Southern Provincial Court
of Appeal –

Gentlemen,

Para 1st

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter under date the 16th ultimo, enclosing a Petition delivered into Court on the 28th February last, on behalf of the Zemindar of Cadumboor, & desiring me to furnish a detailed Explanation of the Transaction therein stated –

2d When the Orders of His Lordship in Council were Communicated to me, to deliver the Deeds of permanent Property to the Tinnevelly Poligars, I was at the same time instructed to insert the number & Names of the Villages Composing each Zemindary in the body of every sunnud. It became therefore a Necessary duty to ascertain this point with peculiar Correctness and to Check the Lists given in by the Poligars, I had recourse to the Canon=goes accounts of Tinnevelly, Most of the southern Pollams having at One period or other been under the Control of His Highness the Nabobs Government –

3d When the Statements produced by the Poligars, Corre=sponded with the Evidence of the Canongoes accounts the Names were accordingly entered, but in no Instance was it deemed necessary to include the Names of Putties attached to each Village. Those Putties frequently Consist of Only two or three Inhabitants, (having their Origin in the great Convenience of being Resident near their Cultivation) but who Consider themselves attached to, and their Lands incorporated with the Village on which the Putty is dependant, and for which reason no Seperate accounts are kept of their Revenues, but are generally Consolidated with the accounts of the Cusbah

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4th On this principle the Cusbah Village of Cadumboor was inserted in the Poligars Sunnud, and the Putty of ChoKalingaporum Omitted.

5th When however the Poligar Stated to Me in December 1804 that an Enquiry into a Boundary dispute existing between him & Ettiapoor had been rejected in the Zillah Court of Ramnad Owing to the Omission of the Name of this Putty (to which the Land in dispute is attached) I deemed it but just and equitable that so trifling a deviation from the Rules of the Court ought not to preclude the Investigation of the Poligars Claim, and accordingly inserted the Name of ChoKalingapooram in the Sunnud.

6th I have Only to add that the Village of ChoKalingaporum has always been in possession of the Poligar of Cadumboor, and that a Small Extent of Land Only, dependant on it, is in dispute between him & the Poligar of Ettiapore

Teroomungalum (Signed) George Parish
10th May 1806 Collr.

To the President & Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Secretary's Letter under date 9th ultimo directing Me to pay to the family of the late Killedar of Madura the Pensions of their Rank agreeably to the Principle Observed towards the Officers of the late Government of the Carnatic

The Paymaster, having received a similar Order, I presume it is not intended that the amount due Rhimeah Cawn & his Brother Should be paid from this Treasury — the whole of the Pension payable to late

Nabobs

Officers, being Charged in the Military Department & under the Control of Mr. Wetherell –

(Signed) George Parish Collr.

Teroomungalum
13th May 1806

To the Officer Commanding the
Southern Division of the Army

Sir,

The General Superintendance of the Police in Dindigul, having been transferred from the Revenue to the Judicial Department – I have transmitted a Copy of your Letter of the 11th Instant to the Judge and Magistrate of that Province, in Order that he may make arrangements for replacing the Detachment of 2nd of the 22nd Regt. at Palaney with such number of Sibbendy Peons as he may deem necessary –

(Signed) G. Parish Collr.

Teroomungalum
13th May 1806

To the Judge & Magistrate in the
Zillah of Dindigul

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose the Copy of a Letter from the Officer Commanding the Southern Division of the army which ought to have been addressed to you as Magistrate of the Province of Dindigul –

(Signed) George Parish Collr.

Teroomungalum
13th May 1806

To the Secretary to the Government
in the Revenue & Judicial Department

Sir,

Para 1st I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter under date the 19th Ultimo, acquainting me that His Lordship in Council considers it to be desirable that the Detachments of Regular Troops employed on Duties of a

Revenue

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Revenue Nature, should be withdrawn in every Instance where it may be practicable to provide for the discharge of those duties by the Peons of the Civil Establishment.

2d. Under the impression that the above Orders are to be considered equally applicable to the Judicial Department and considering that the present System of employing Seapoys for the protection of the Goal is liable to Many Objections, from the Insufficiency of the Guard usually supplied, owing to the small Number of Troops in Garrison as well as the want of proper Checks in Consequence of the daily Change of men - I beg leave to propose that a Seperate Establishment of Peons may be embodied for the sole purpose of Superintending the safe Custody of Prisoners in the Zillah of Madura -

3d. The Number of Criminals tried and Convicted Now under my Charge Amount to 52 and Many More have been committed to take their Trial before the Judge on Circuit at the Next Sessions. I trust therefore His Lordship in Council will Consider the Employment of 50 (Fifty) Police Peons to be moderate, considering the duty they will have to perform. -

4th. I have the honor to submit a statement of the Proposed Monthly Charges on this account, for which, I request the sanction of His Lordship in Council may be Conveyed to me -

Teroomungalum, (Signed) George Parish
14th May 1806 Collr.

Proposed Establishment of Police Peons to Superintend the Goal in the Zillah of Madura -

		S. Pags.
1 Jemidar		4
2 Duffadars	@ 3. Pags. each	6
50 Police Peons	@ 1½ Do.	75
1 Conicoply		3
		S. Pags. 88

N.3. All the Prisoners tried & Convicted by the Court of Circuit have been sentenced to hard Labor on the

Road – a great proportion of Peons must therefore daily attend on them –

(Signed) George Parish Collr

To the Judge & Magistrate
of Ramnad

Sir,

Having been called upon by the President & Members of the Board of Revenue to state with accuracy the actual Remission allowed by the Ranee of Ramnad to the Renter of the Chank fishery in Consequence of My Orders to permit the Divers & Donies to proceed to Mannar to assist in the Pearl Fishery and having reason to believe that the statement delivered in by the Ranee, is not Sufficiently Correct to enable me to Report upon the subject – I have Considered it of Importance to Obtain the Solemn Declaration of Abdul Cawder of Keelkurry who held a Share in that Rent with Ranee of the actual Deduction allowed to him by the Nautchyar – being the most Satisfactory mode of ascertaining the Remuneration to be made to her

I have the honor to enclose the Copy of a Letter addressed to Abdul Cawder upon the Subject & I have to request that you will be pleased to administer the Oath to him –

(Signed) George Parish Collr

Teroomungalum
15th May 1806

To Abdul Cawder Mercoy

Having understood that the Ranee Zemindar was a Partner with you in the Chank Rent for fuslies 1213 and 1214, I desire you will solemnly declare upon Oath what remission was actually allowed you by the Ranee for your share of the Loss which may have been sustained during the absence of the Boats and Divers of Ramnad at Mannar whether they were Ordered to be Sent for the purpose of assisting at the Pearl fishery in those years –

Teroomungalum 15th May 1806

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To the President & Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to enclose Registers of receipts issued by Me to the Zemindars and to My Public servants in the Zillah of Ramnad, Dindigul and in the District of Madura for the Month of April 1806 —

Madura
15th May 1806
(Signed) Geo. Parish
Collr.

To the Register to the
Sudder Foujdarry Adawlet

Sir,

I have the honor of transmitting to you the Monthly Reports for last Month —

Madura
15th May 1806
(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

To the Officer Commanding
Madura

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose herewith a List of the Prices of Grain and Provisions of every sort in the several Buzars in the District of Madura —

Madura
15th May 1806
(Signed) Geo. Parish
Collr.

To the Officer Commanding
Dindegul

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose herewith a List of the Prices of Grain and Provisions of every sort in the several Buzars in the District of Dindegul —

Madura
15th May 1806 —
(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

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To the President & Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

Under date the 9th November 1804 I was Directed to hold at the Disposal of the Dindigul Poligars, late restored to their Hereditary Possessions – the Sums Collected from their Pollams whilst under assumption – For the Information of your Board I have now the honor to transmit the accounts Current with those Zemindars shewing a balance of S.P. 2097 „ 35 „ 6 in their favor – & for which they will receive Credit in the Kists of the Current year became due –

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

Teroomungalum
16th May 1806

To the Commercial Resident
at Ramnad

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter enclosing a Government Bill in your favor for Star Pagodas 8800 „ – „ the amount of which is now forwarded under escort of a Guard –

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

Madura
17th May 1806

To the Commercial Resident
at Ramnad –

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter enclosing a Government Bill in your favor for S. Pagodas 8800 „ – „ the amount of which is now forwarded in Charge of the accompanying Guard as pr. Invoice enclosed –

(Signed) Geo. Parish
Collr.

Madura 17th May 1806

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To the President & Members of the
Board of Revenue.

Gentlemen,

Para. 1.st Having been engaged for some time past in Communicating with the Collectors of Tinnevelly & Daraporam relative to the assessment to take place, on the articles of Beetle & Tobacco &ca in our Respective Divisions I have been under the Necessity of Delaying my report to you upon this subject until the present period — I have now the honor to enclose a statement of the Revenue Derived from them in fuslies 1213 & 1214 agree=ably to the form, transmitted to me in your Secretary's Letter under date the 18th October last —

2.d On a former occasion I took the Liberty of pointing out to you that I had found it necessary to re=

December 1804 =duce the assessment on Beetle & Tobacco in Consequence of the rate of Duty being Considerably less in Neighbouring Districts — The collections for this reason do not appear so high as they would have been under the former system of Taxation, but as the alteration of it was a Measure of Public utility, the temporary Loss of Revenue at Town Choukies will I hope not be Considered as an Objection to the arrangement —

3.d In Conjunction with Messrs. Cochrane &

10 ₱cent. on Beetle. 50 do on Tobacco. Kelso I have now fixed a rate of Duty as stated in the Margin, which has Obviated all Difficulties in regard to the free transit & Sale of those articles — the Export Duty has been settled at 6 ₱cent to enable Merchants to transport Tobacco & Beetle to Travancore, for which articles there is

great Demand in the Rajahs Country -

4.th The Produce of Betle & Tobacco in Districts permanently settled it is difficult to ascertain at all Events it May be Calculated that a very small Proportion is charged with a Duty - the Population & Commerce of the largest Villages being inadequate to justify the Establish=ment of Choukies I have been under the necessity of reducing some Originally fixed on - in Consequence of the great Decrease in the Collections and it May perhaps be necessary to reduce the Number still More - I shall have the honor of addressing your Board further upon this Subject in My Report on the Revenues of the present Year -

5. It does not appear that an Increase of Duty on Betle & Tobacco would at present be attended with Much Good Effect - for where the whole Country are supplied with those Luxuries - free of Tax - & that Inhabit=ants Need Only proceed a short Distance from a Town Choukey to purchase them, at a Moderate Price any Inhan=ment of the rate of Duty would greatly encourage the pre=sent System of Smuggling which is Carried on, in Opposition to the best regulated Checks -

Peroomungalum (Signed) George Parish Coll.r
18.th May 1806

To the Officer Commanding
Madura

Sir,

I request you will be pleased to send a sufficient Guard to my Cutcherry in the Fort for the purpose of escorting 8,800 Star Pagodas to the Commercial Resident at Ramnad - (Signed) G. Parish Coll.r

Peroomungalum 18.th May 1806

To the President & Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

Para 1st I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter, directing me to submit an Explanation of the benefit which may have been produced in the Zillah of Ramnad in Consequence of the Introduction of the Permanent Settlement, and desiring me to point out such Objections as may exist with respect to the Rights which have been mutually assigned under the present Regulations to the Zemindars & the Cultivators of the soil —

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2d The Zillah of Ramnad being wholly composed of Zemindaries in the Hereditary Possession of the Poligars, and paying a Tribute which has been liable to little or no alteration since the Year 1800. It may be stated that the advantages of a fixed rent have already been experienced in these Countries for a period of five years, altho' the positive security against future encreased Demands was not finally promulgated until 1803 — A fluctuating Land Revenue payable by a Zemindar to Government has been justly considered the Cause of much Oppression; for whilst the Circar raises its rent at pleasure, a Zemindar will always escape reproach for encreasing his Demands in the same proportion on his Ryots, and it is to be presumed, that the additional assessment which he will levy under this Plea will leave an equal advantage to him, at the Close of the year had the encrease of Tribute not been Demanded — Considering therefore this to be an Evil arising

principally

in the former System of Revenue, the advantage of a per=
=manent Settlement at once appears obvious, & which
has received Considerable Strength from the Moderation
on which our Demands were regulated, and Confirming
a Tribute in perpetuity, which Experience had de=
=monstrated, the Poligars could pay with ease to them=
=selves, & Comfort to their Ryots –

3. It Cannot however be denied that if the Poligars experienced this partial advantage in anticipation of the permanent System but that in other Instances it bears but a small proportion to the General Good, which has resulted from the Establishment of Judicial Courts – The Introduction of so sudden a Change Striking at the root of arbitrary Law, by which the People had hitherto been governed, could not fail being at first received with regret by the Poligars, notwithstanding their public Profession to the Contrary, but Judging of its Consequences by the Effe[cts] it has produced in the Conduct of the Poligars, we may Conten[t] ourselves in the Observation that the Laws are respected, and that Peace & tranquility reigns throughout the Province.

4. The advantage which the Public at large has experienced by limiting the Powers of the Poligars and Confining the authority of Government to fixed Laws, must also be Obvious, altho' its Effects Considering the short period which has elapsed since the Change may not a[s] yet be visible in the extention of Population and agri=
=culture – To this Circumstance may be added the la=
=mentable Effects of two unfavorable Seasons which ha[ve] greatly impoverished the Inhabitants, who have in man[y] Instances emigrated in search of a Livelihood – this has been more particularly the Case in the last year,

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but it is to be hoped that the approach of the time for Dry Grain Cultivation, and the appearance of a favorable Sea=son will bring Many of this description of People back to their Villages, and induce them to prosecute their former occu=pation ~

5. In regard to the principle of the permanent Settlement as Observed in the Southern Countries, I see no Modification Necessary to render it More applicable to the local Situation & Circumstances of the people - A Zemin=dary Tenure having been the System of Government for ages back, it required perhaps less & trouble to establish it on the Solid basis of permanent Security than in other Dis=tricts where the Government have exercised the exclusive Privelege of Superintendance, but independant of this advanta=ge, I foresee no Change which would amelecrate the pre=sent Situation of the People - protected as they are in the enjoy=ment of their Rights & Priveleges under the Mild dispensa=tion of fixed & defined Laws - The difficulty which is occa=sionally represented to exist in realizing the Dues of the Ze=mindars, arises in a great Measure in their Ignorance of those Powers, with which they are Vested by the Regu=lations, & their dislike to deviate from those forms which have hitherto governed their Conduct towards their depen=dants - It will require Much time to Make the Poligars thoroughly Sensible of the Important benefit which the Introduction of a permanent System has Conferred on them, of the Necessity to introduce Regularity into their Revenue affairs, which have hitherto been Managed according to the will & pleasure of each Poligar - Some allowance ought perhaps to be Made on this Subject in favor

of

the Poligars Considering the sudden Change of Government from arbitrary authority with which they were vested to the strict Exercise of fixed Laws, under Numerous & Intricate forms, which they have neither Inclination to Study nor ability to Comprehend –

6. It May perhaps be Considered Superfluous to address your Board upon a Subject not immediately Con=nected with this address but as I consider it to be your desire that every point which May promote the Object of the permanent Settlement should be attended to, I cannot refrain noticing in this place the Total Inade=quacy of the present Establishment of Police in the Zillah of Ramnad; the Government having relieved the Poligars from all Duties Connected with this Depart=ment, and taken the Lands appropriated to those pur=poses into their Own hands, it appears both just & expedient that every arrangement should be formed, which May tend to the Security of property, and the Peace & tranquility of the Pollams –

7. The Geographical position of Ramnad Com=pared with the remote situation of Most of the Tinnevilly Pollams amongst the Hills renders it impossible to esta=blish a Police through the Medium of Peons attached to the Court who are Merely engaged to Keep Open the Com=munication with the Interior; Numerous Thefts are daily Committed & Many Irregularities Connived at by the Poligars which never Come to the Knowledge of the adawlut owing to the want of Police servants on the spot – the suf=ferers preferring to remain silent under injuries they receive to the loss of time and expence incidental to a

Journey

Journey of 50 Miles, and even after stating their grievances to be told to produce the Thief, when he shall be punished –

8. The Establishment of a Certain Number of Tanadars and Peons in every Pollam would, I am persuaded, be attended with the best Effect, and Considering that the sole burthen of affording Protection to every Class of our – Subjects is exclusively vested in the Government I trust that your Board will excuse me in having brought this subject under your Consideration –

Teroomungalum
19th May 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Coll^r

To the Accountant General and
Civil Auditor

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 12th ultimo and agreeable to your desire herewith transmit an Abstract Statement and Estimate of Probable Receipts and Disbursements under my – charge for the year 180[illegible]7.

The General Detailed Statement and Com=parative Statement will be forwarded on the 24th Inst.

Madura –
22d May 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Coll^r

To the Accountant General and
Civil Auditor
Fort St George

Sir,

Para 1st. From Circumstances which I have detailed to the Board of Revenue the Gross receipts of my Trea=sury for next Month are likely to be decreased in the sum of Star Pagodas 27723 „ 25 „ 18 –

2d The Charges will remain as before esti=
=mated in the sum of Star Pagodas 6433 " " and Conse=
=quently leave my Nett appropriable Revenue at the Sum
of Star Pagodas 40843: 16: 62 instead of Pagodas 68567
as before estimated

Madura (Signed) George Parish Collr
22d May 1806

To the Secretary to Government
in the Revenue Department

Sir,

The Wife of the late Rajah Perria Murdoo of Shevagungah having represented to me her Distressed situation since the Death of her Husband I am induced to submit her Case to the favorable Consideration of the Right Honble the Governor in Council, from a Conviction that She is a fit Object for Charity

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Adverting to the Rank this Woman formerly held it appears but just that some Provision should be made to secure her against Want and as she has no allowance from the present Zemindar I would beg leave to recommend that a Pension of forty Pagodas ℔ Month be paid to her from this Treasury in the same Manner as Provision has been made for the family of Sadooputty late Poligar of Ramnad who receive an allowance of 1200 Rups ℔r Month

(Signed) George Parish Collr
Teroomungalum
23d May 1806

To the Secretary to Government
in the Judicial Department

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Sir,
1st The Judges on Circuit, having Deemed it their Duty to reject the Trial of Persons charged with the Crime of

Concealing

"Concealing Arms" on the grounds that it Comes under the 20th Regulation 1802 & the Probability that Many More Persons May be taken up for the same Offence induces Me to beg the favor to be furnished with Orders in regard to the Manner in which their Trial is to be Conducted

2d. The repeated and solemn Interdiction, which has at various times been Promulgated in the Southern Countries, relative to the Concealment of Prohibited weapons of Offence – & the heavy punishment which has been denounced against Persons, Offending against this salutary Regulation, are Circumstances, which seem to demand, that some measures should be adopted to enforce the Orders of Government –

3. An Extract of the Proclamation, published under the authority of the Right Honble the Governor in Council, in the Southern Countries, I have the honor to enclose –

(Signed) George Parish,
Collr

Teroomungalum
24th May 1806

Extract of a Proclamation issued by the Right Honble the Governor in Council Dated Fort St. George 1st Decr 1801 –

Para: 14th The Right Honble the Governor in Council aforesaid further proclaims his Orders, that all Muskets, Matchlocks, Pikes, and other Weapons of offence, shall be surrendered within the period of three Months from the time of issuing this Proclamation, and if after the expiration of that period of time, any Muskets, Matchlocks, Pikes, or other prohibited Weapons of Offence, shall be found in the possession of any person, not duly authorized to bear them, or if any person shall

be detected in fabricating, or selling these Weapons, or in Making, or selling Gun Powder, without due permission Obtained from the Companys Government for that purpose, such persons shall be Considered to have forfeited their Claim to the protection of the British Government, and shall further be liable to Banishment beyond the Seas, or to such other punishment as the said Government shall deem it to be necessary to inflict—

By Order of the Right Honble the Governor in Council—

(Signed) P. A. Agnew
Lieut^t. Col^l. Commanding
Southern Detachment

(A true Extract)

(Signed) George Parish Coll^r.

To the President & Members of the
Board of Revenue—

Gentlemen,

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In your Secretary's Letter under date the 23.^d of February 1804 I was directed to Obtain the Ranees Consent to the departure of the Boats & Divers of Ramnad, for the purpose of assisting at the Pearl Fisheries of Manar & Tutacoryn under the assurance that the Chank renter should be indemnified for the loss he might sustain in Consequence of their absence—

The Ranee has accordingly furnished me with Statements (N.º 1 & 2) of the Remission granted to the Chank Renter for the time the Divers were employed on the other Coast—

Conceiving

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Conceiving it to be the intention of your Board not to Grant a larger Remission to the Ranee on this account, than had actually been allowed by her to Renter I deemed it necessary to address the Judge & Magistrate at Ramnad in Order to establish this point, by the Solemn Declaration of Abdul Cawder of Keelkurry who was the Renter of the Fishery in fusly 1213 & 1214 –

Copy of My Letter to Mr. Lathom, with his reply & enclosure I have the honor to transmit in Consequence of which I have informed the Ranee, that until I receive your further Orders the Remission she now claims Cannot be adjusted –

Whilst Abdul Cawder refuses to declare the amount of Remission granted to him by the Nautchiyar the accounts now submitted are to be suspected but perhaps his Rejection of My Demand May also be accounted for in the Manner, in which the Question has been submitted by the Judge –

(Signed) George Parish
Coll.

Teroomungalum
25th May 1806

To the Accountant General and
Civil Auditor
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith the General Detailed Statement of actual Gross Collections and Charges together with the Comparative Statement of the Zillah of Ramnad &ca. for the year 1805/6

(Signed) George Parish
Coll.

Madura
25. May 1806

R. Fullerton Esquire
General Agent of Salt Monopoly
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt

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of your Letter under date the 11th April, enclosing a Notifica-tion relative to the terms, on which the Export of Salt to Bengal, is to be allowed & which has according to your Desire been published throughout the Districts under my Charge —

From the best Information I have been able to Obtain it appears that not More than 7 Garce of Salt, has been exported to Bengal within the last 10 years & the reason which the Merchants assign, for Con-fining the Export to so small a quantity in that their Vessels are not of sufficient size — to enable them to proceed to Bengal & that the few Ships equal to it — are now too Old —

I have the honor to enclose a Statement of the quantity of Salt that Might be expected — if those Obstacle already Mentioned did not exist —

Seroomungalum (Signed) George Parish,
Collr
25th May 1806 —

To the President & Members of the
Board of Revenue —

Gentlemen,

Since the receipt of your Orders to pro-pose some equitable arrangement for the adjustment of the Surna-dayom included in the permanent Settlement of the Tinnevelly Pollams, but not realized by the Poligars, agreeably to the terms of their engagements with the Company — My time has been uninterruptedly engaged in this Endeavour, but Judging from the result which has until this period attended My exertions, I foresee no prospect of bringing Matters to a favorable Issue — I therefore deem it My duty to address your Board again upon this Subject, in the hope that your final Orders May be Conveyed to me, for My Conduct & guidance

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Accompanying I have the honor to transmit

A a Statement of the Tinnevelly Pollams shewing the Gross

Col. 1 Land Revenue in Nunjeh & Punjeh and distinguishing the

Col. 3. Surnadayom which ought to have been excluded, and the

Col. 2. ready Money Collection which ought to have been added to the Jummah — By Comparing this Document with the Statement

B furnished me by Order of your Board it will appear that the Gross valuation of the Pollam in Col. 7. agrees with the Total of Columns 1. 2. & 3. in Statement A

It may perhaps not be unnecessary to advert in the place to the imperfect State of those accounts in which the permanent Settlement with Most of the Poligars was formed, The great difficulty of ascertaining the Detailed Resources of the Pollams whilst under the Control of the Poligars who were deeply to Secret depreciate the real Value of their Estates. It was a well Known fact which Subsequent Experience has fully established that the Tribute payable by the Poligars previous to Fusly 1209 bore no proportion to the resources of their Pollams, and the Evidence furnished generally in Support of this Opinion by the Canangoes accounts of Tinnevelly afforded sufficient grounds to regulate our Demands with Justice to the rights of Government and Consideration for the situation of the Poligars altho' no detailed Documents of their resources were produced — The Regularity which the Poligars have Observed in the Payment of their Peshcush since Fusly 1209 of Course Strengthened all the arguments on which the Original Increase of Peshcush had been adjusted, and justified Mr. Lushington in recommending to fix the same, with a few Exceptions in perpetuity —

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I should not have troubled your Board with the foregoing Explanation, but from a Conviction that the Errors which have occurred may find some Excuse in the Important points which were exclusively Connected with the formation of a permanent Settlement with the Poligars Chiefs and the difficulty of reconciling them to Numerous Sacrifices a total Change of Government had rendered necessary, and which certainly would have been aggravated by a Strict Enquiry into the Nature & amount of this Surnadayem Revenue which is always Considered to be fixed or encreased or at the pleasure of the Poligar —

The Heads under which the Gross Valuation of the Tinnevelly Pollams were Originally classed Consisted of two — 1.st Total Land Revenue in Nunjeh & Punjeh — 2.d Ready Money Collection — In the Statement A which is herewith transmitted, I have shewn the amount of such Taxes as ought to have been excluded Col — 3 & for your More particular Information, I have added a detailed account of the Items of which those Taxes Statement C Consist —

Whilst it is to be regretted that any Deviation from the general Principle hitherto Observed in forming a Permanent Settlement should have taken place it must nevertheless afford your Board Satisfaction to Observe, that this Circumstance has not been attended with any loss to the Poligars, if the Statements of their Revenues are to be relied on: assuming however that those Documents exhibit a faithful account of their actual Resources which we are justified to Conjecture by the

Regularity

Regularity the Poligars have Observed in the Payment of their Peshcush - your Board will Observe that after deducting all Personal & professional Taxes amounting to 12,131 S. Ps. 22.. 31. the permanent Jummah is still 29037 Star Pag.s less than it would have been, had the Principle of Zemindary Tenure been adhered to in deciding the amount of their permanent Tributes - The Only question which seems hence arise is whether the Peshcush of the Poligars would have been fixed at a lower rate than is now established had the Surnadayom been previously deducted from the Gross valuation of the Pollams, but Considering that our arrangement with the Poligars, were not formed on actual Examination of Most of the Pollams, but Merely on an Estimate of their Probable value it May appear to your Boa[rd] that the excess of Land Revenue, in the sum of 29037 P.s (on the Principle of 2/3.s of the Gross Revenue, being payable to Government) renders any further Deduction in favor of the Poligars unnecessary -

Of the Surnadayom included in the Jummah of the three sequestered Pollams of Naglapoor, Colatoor, & Yelloyerumpunny formed into Nine Estates and Sold - I have
[Sta]tement D the honor to forward a separate statement, those Estates having been assessed by actual survey, and on an average of years I consider that the present possessors should receive a remission equal to the amount of prohibited Taxes incorporated with the Jummah, and as the Deeds of permanent property have not yet been furnished to the Zemindars it May I presume, be Made without Much Inconvenience

In Regard to the amount of Surnadayom, included to the Zemindary Ramnad - it Must remain with your Board to decide in what Manner this point is to be

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arranged with the Ranee - It may not however be improper to state that by the late Orders of Government the Ranee has gained more than triple that sum, by the rate of Exchange at which her Peshcush is now paid comparison with the former Calculation, & that she has No Objection, to relinquish her Claim to the Surnadayom, in Consequence of this favorable adjustment -

Teroomungalum (Signed) George Parish
26th May 1806 - Colln.

To All the Zemindars in the Zillah of Ramnad Madura & Dindigul - 29th May 1806 -

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Frequent Complaints are Made by the Zemindars in Zillah Ramnad that owing to the refusal of Ryots to pay their Kist, and the want of authority to enforce their Demands, the Poligars cannot Make good their Peshcush -

That this excuse is founded solely on the Ignorance of the Poligars of the present Regulations - the Collector is perfectly assured of, for if they would give themselves the trouble to peruse them, they would find, that the authority vested in them for realizing their dues is much greater, and more efficient than it ever was before -

It has been often explained to the Poligars, that it would be impossible for them to escape many disagreeable Consequences, & great Inconveniences resulting from an Ignorance of Laws by which they are tried, and which they are Obliged to Obey, and for this purpose the Collector desired that proper Persons might be sent to his Cutcherry to take Copies of the Judicial Regulations - this Order being exclusively for the Interest of the Poligars - the Collector did not deem it necessary to enforce the same, Confident that at some future

future period they would feel the Consequence of this Neglect —

How is it possible for a Person to act according to new Laws unless he is first Made acquainted with them — This is exactly the Case with the Poligars, they Complain against the Laws, not affording them sufficient authority to enforce their Collections, when they are in fact totally Ignorant of the Extent of the Power granted them by the Regulations —

The first Principle to be Observed in a Revenue Settlement, is to Obtain written agreements from every Ryot, to pay the Tax on the Land he Cultivates, and for this purpose the Plough ought not to be permitted to be brought on the Ground, before the Ryot has given a written Muchelka that he will pay the Tax — The Property of the Soil is vested in the Zemindar, and he has an undoubted right to exact the Rent, whether the Cultivation perishes or not, If it succeeds it is the Profit of the Ryot, if it dries & becomes unproductive it is the loss of the Ryot — the remission of Teerwa Must spring from a Merciful disposition, and from a Conviction, that by Granting it, the Poligar prevents the ruin of People on whom he is not to rely for One years Rent, but for years & years to Come, that the Ryot has a right by the present Regulations to quit his Lands & remove to another Zemindary whenever he pleases; and that therefore it becomes a Necessary Duty on the part of the Zemindar to treat him with Lenity, in Order that he May not be a loser in the end, by such Emigration —

It next becomes necessary to explain the Power which a Zemindar has to enforce his rent, premising that such rent be due on written Engagement —

The Poligar is to Demand the Rent of the Defaulter in writing, stating the amount, and the time when it be=came due - If he pays, the Process ends here, if he refuses, the Poligar will address a similar Letter to the Commissioner residing in the Pollam (whose duties will be hereafter explained, stating the name of the Defaulter, the sum due and desiring him to assume and destrain the Property of the Defaulter - The Commissioner will then proceed to enforce this Order, by assuming the Defaulter's Property (excepting certain articles which are not to be sold until every other Property has been disposed of) a Day will be fixed by the Commissioner for the sale of the Property, and a Commission of 6 ℔ Cent will be taken by the " Commissioner on the Gross amount as his share, and the remainder will be paid to the Poligar - Should the Property disposed of, be inadequate to the discharge of the Demand - the Commissioner will address a Letter to the Judge of the Zillah stating the Particulars already explained, and send the Defaulter to the Goal - when the Judge will receive charge & detain him until the whole amount has been paid to the Poligar - If the Poligars will attentively Consider the foregoing Explanation of the existing Law, they will have reason to believe that it is not inade=quate to enforce their Demands, and that their Complaints are groundless - They will also notice that the whole of this arrangement points out the necessity of entering into written Engagements with their Ryots, & that with=out such Engagements they must every year lose a Consi=derable part of their Revenue - It is therefore again " repeated and Ordered that the Poligars must take written

Muchelkas

Muchelkas from each Ryot, before they allow him to Plough, granting him at the same time a Puttiom, and that all general agreements written by Curnum, and on which he places the Names of the Head Inhabitants only & which does not specify the amount payable and periods when to be Culti=vated is of no avail, in a Court of Justice, which will not receive or try the Merits of such in Puttiom –

In regard to the appointment of Commissioners it is enacted that they are to be, if possible Inhabitants or Residents in the District or Village where they are to act a written Commission under the Seal & Signature of the Judge of the Adawlut will be furnished to each, and a Regulation specifying their Duty shall be delivered by Me – The Collector therefore recommends to the Poligar to fix on proper Persons for this appointment, and as the benefit of their Nomination will be exclusively the Poligars Own, it might be proper to add a Small Monthly Pay for the Commissioner, in Case the authorized Sum of 6 ℔ Cent of the Sales might not be sufficient – The Poligars will perceive that until the appointment of Commissioners no Property can be legally Sold for arrears, and that to Lupt and Sell any at present subjects them to Prosecution – Where One Pollam may be too large for One Commissioner the Poligars may recommend two or three Persons to attend to the Duty, and the More there are, the More Speedy will their arrears be adjusted –

In Order to put this Matter in a fair train=ing, the Collector recommends that the Poligars immediately sends proper persons to the Collector, who will Obtain them a Commission and instruct them in their Duty and the Collector points out the Poligars, that it might not be amiss to employ the late Vakeels (who were of the Cutcherry, on this Service, as

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as they are acquainted with the Company's Management, and will Consequently learn the Duties of Commissioners sooner than Orders —

(Signed) George Parish Coll^r

To the Secretary to Government
in the Public Department

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Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that No — Passports have been received or issued from this Station in the Month of May 1806 —

Madura
1st June 1806

(Signed) George Parish Coll^r

To Charles Wetherell Esquire
Paymaster
Pallamcottah

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Sir,

I herewith transmit the Pay and Muster Rolls of the Lascars of Tents for last Month —

Madura
1st June 1806 —

(Signed) George Parish Coll^r

To the Officer Commanding
Madura

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Sir,

The Public Service rendering it necessary that a part of the Peons now doing Duty in the Goal Should be withdrawn, I have to request that you will augment the Number of Sepoys for this Service as you May seem Necessary —

The Number of Prisoners amount to about One hundred and are all in Irons —

I have addressed the Right Honble the Governor in Council upon the subject of establishing a Seperate

Police

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Police Department for the purpose of Superintending the safe Custody of the Prisoners and when that Establishment has been Sanctioned the Military will be withdrawn –

Madura (Signed) George Parish Coll.
6th June 1806

The President and Members of the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to transmit herewith a Statement of Demand Collection and Balance of the Zillah of Ramnad &c for last Month –

Madura (Signed) George Parish Coll.
7th June 1806 –

To the Accountant General and
Civil Auditor
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith the Account Current of the Zillah of Ramnad &c for last Month, together with the Vouchers appertaining thereto agreeably to the accompanying List of the Packet –

Madura (Signed) Geo. Parish Coll.
7th June 1806

To the Accountant General and
Civil Auditor
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith the

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Quarterly accounts of this Station with the necessary List of the Packet upto the 30th April 1806 –

Madura (Signed) George Parish Collr.
7th June 1806

Proclamation to the Inhabitants of the Province of Madura – & the Pollams of Dindigul Madura and Manapara Dated 7th June 1806 –

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The Revenue & Judicial Departments hitherto Superintended by the Collector having been seperated & the Adawlut placed under the authority of a Judge who will reside at Madura and hear & determine all Complaints – This new arrangement is therefore proclaimed that all the Inhabitants may know where to address themselves –

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

To the Accountant General &
Civil Auditor

Sir,

D

The Police Establishment of Peons late under My Orders as acting Magistrate in the Zillah of Madura – having been transferred to the Judge lately appointed for that Province, I request to be informed whether the amount of Moyen Zabitah is to be charged as heretofore in My accounts or whether it is to included in the Monthly Indent of the Judicial Establishment of servants attached to the Court –

Sholavundan (Signed) George Parish
8th June 1806 Collr.

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Rt. Fullerton Esquire
General Agent for Salt Monopoly –
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith the

the Account Current and Statement of Salt Manufactured Sold and remaining on hand for last Month —

Madura
8th June 1806

(Signed) George Parish Coll.r

To William Robt. Irwin Esquire

Sir,

1st I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter under date the 5th Instant enclosing a Copy of your appointment and a Proclamation announcing the same for the Information of the Inhabitants which according to your Desire has been promulgated —

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2d The Judicial Papers Connected with the Trials of Prisoners - since the Establishment of the Courts of Circuit to the present time are herewith transmitted as pr. List No. 1 together with a Calendar (No. 2) of Prisoners in Goal under Sentence of temporary Imprisonment and hard Labour —

3d I have also the honor to furnish you with a seperate Calendar (No. 3) of such Prisoners as are to take their Trial before the Judge on Circuit at the ensuing Sessions with Depositions (No. 4) already taken of their Guilt, a Memorandum is also annexed (No. 5) of the Documents that are wanting to Complete the form of the Trials from No. 1613 —

4 The Cutwals Establishment in the Town of Madura whose Duty it is to regulate the Supply of the Market being paid out of the Buzar fund agreeably to the Orders of Government under Date 22d September 1802 I should wish to be informed whether this Department is also to be transferred to your Superintendance —

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5. Considering however that the Cutwal has hitherto attended to every part of the Police of the Town & that the safe Custody of the Prisoners in Goal has also been Considered his Duty I shall direct him to place himself under your Orders together with the Peons attached to his Departement –

6 The enclosed Copy of a Letter from Government (No. 6) with My reply (No. 7) will inform you of the application I made for a Seperate Establishment to Superintend the Goal – Having as yet received no answer upon this subject – I shall direct that the Talook Peons of Malooe, who now assist the Military to guard the Prisoners – Continue as heretofore, at the Goal until the New Establishment be Sanctioned by Government –.

7 The Police Establishment doing Duty in the Province of Madura Consists of One Resaullah, as pr. List No. 8 accompanying – of those Sebbendies I have retained 1 Jemidar 2 Duffadars & fifty Peons who are exclusively employed to Superintend the Treasuries of five Talooks – and to Convey the Monthly Collections to My Cutcherry when the settlement of the Year shall have been realized – this small Establishment will also be transferred to your authority –

Sholavundan
8th June 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Coll.r

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To the Judge & Magistrate in the Zillah of Madura –

Sir,

I have the honor to annex the Copy of a

Letter

Letter addressed to the Register to the Sudder Foujdarry Adawlut - reporting the apprehension of Luckia Naigue Poligar of Comaurawaddy who effected his Escape from Vellore in 1796 - & for whose seizure a large Reward was offered by Government -

vide Letter dated 29th Novr 1805

I have directed the Poligar to be transferred with the other Prisoners to your authority -

Sholavundan (Signed) George Parish Collr
8th June 1806.

To the Secretary to the

Board of Revenue

Sir,

I have the honor to annex Extract of a letter from the Accountant General, and have to request that you will be pleased to enter the authority of Government where it may be wanting in the accompanying Statement -

Sholavundan (Signed) George Parish Collr
9th June 1806

Extract of a Letter from the Accountant General dated 23d June 1804 -

Para 5th

You will perceive I have nevertheless inserted in the form of the Statement now transmitted a Column for the Dates of the authorities of Government, those for the present Phusly, you of Course cannot fill up, nor would I wish you to detain the Statement a day, in Order to Obtain that information, but that on the same Day that you send it to this Office - you send a Copy to the Board of Revenue leaving the Column of the Date of Government authorities, blank and requesting it may be filled up and transmitted to this Office

(A true Extract)

(Signed) G. Parish Collr

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To the Accountant General and
Civil Auditor
Fort St. George

Sir,

Agreeable to the Deputy Accountant General's Letter under date the 11th April last I have the honor to transmit a Statement of Charges for Fusly 1214 in the Collectorate of the Zillah of Ramnad Dindigul & Madura with the dates of Authorities both of the Board of Revenue and of Government under which they were Made -

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Sholavundan
9th June 1806 -

(Signed) George Parish Collr

To the Judge & Magistrate in the
Zillah of Madura

Sir,

Some Days previous to your receiving charge of the Duties of your Office - I Obtained Intelligence that the Poligar of Vatiaputty had Muskets & Pikes &c &c Concealed in his House - and on searching the arms as per enclosed List were discovered and brought to me -

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The Judicial authority over the Poligars having been transferred to you - I now enclose the Depositions of Several Persons Connected with the Poligar in this transaction - The Depositions are not upon Oath, nor have I called upon the Poligar for an Explanation of his Conduct -

(Signed) George Parish Collr

Sholavundan
10th June 1806

Translate of a Wakmoolum given to the Company's Circar on the 31st May 1806 by Parengy Monigar a Servant of the Zemindar of Valiaputty –

When the Company's Orders were received for the surrender of all Arms, our Zemindar Cawmia Naick, delivered these Firelocks, Sword, Creece, Spear & Pike to me, & desired me to bury them in the Treasury Room – I & Chinna Kooty accordingly buried them – When the Zemindar & his grand Son went to Madura on account of their dispute, I took them out & buried them in the Rice Godown, & raised a Wall over the Spot – I know not whether any more arms have been secreted in any of the Villages, Hills, or Jungles – If it be proved that I have been in the knowledge of it I shall submit to such punishment as the Company may Order, & moreover to be transported to Vengole (Bencoolen)

Thus I have freely passed this attachee –

Witnesses

(Marked) Parengy Monigar

Alagur Monigar,

Coopah Moota pillay –

Translate of a Wakmoolum given by Ramah Counden & Alagur Monigar of Semmaputty Village of Valiaputty Zemindary Dated 31st May 1806 –

Some Firelocks & Saraboghees having been formerly given to the Villagers of Ramah Coundenputty, when the Company's Order was received to surrender all arms – we accordingly delivered up all we had – but upon examining the accounts, there were found 2 Saraboghees & 2 Firelocks in possession of the Inhabitants, who absconded after secreting them in Wells & under ground – when we discovered it, we informed the Zemindar, who desired us to keep them carefully – Exclusive of these, should it be

proved that we had more Arms in our possession, or were in the Knowledge of any under Concealment, we shall submit to the Companys punishment, and even to transportation to Pungole—

Thus we have freely passed this attachee

Marks { Ramacounden
Alagur Monigar

Translate of a Wakmoolum given by Vencatarayer Iyer, of Heelcottay Village in the Valiaputty Zemindary. Dated 31.st May—

Mr Hurdis having sent an Order to the Zemindar of Valiaputty to bring & Deliver up at Madura all the Arms in his Zemindary, He accordingly Collected the whole of them at Teruwapodiar Coil— at that place I delivered to him three Swords & One Firelock which were left in My Charge— when he gave back to Me One of the Swords, & desired Me to Keep it; I then told him I could not return in the Night by myself, when he Ordered two Men, Named Coopan and Nagomalay of My Village to escort Me Home Hitherto I have had it in My possession and have now delivered it to the Company—

Thus have freely delivered this attachee

(Signed) Vencatroyer—

Translate of Wakmoolum given by Vellayen Asary a resident Inhabitant in the Cusbah of Valiaputty Dated 31.st May 1806

Cawmia Naig our Zemindar delivered into My Charge Nine Firelocks— eight of which I formerly delivered back to him— & told him I had One More, which he desired Me to Keep in My possession— Now I have delivered it to the Company— thus I have freely passed this attachee

(Signed) Vellayen

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Translate of Watkmoolum given by Allagun of Shainthamungalum Village of Valiapatty dated 31st May 1806 —

In Yerumalay I had a Firelock of my Own, another belonging to One Aundy of the Southern Country, and One Pike — which I have now delivered up to the Company — Should it be hereafter proved that I am still in possession of arms, I shall Submit to whatever punishment the Company may Order — & even for transportation to Vungole —

Thus I have truly passed this attachee —

(Marked) Allagun —

List of Arms &c.a

4 Matchlocks
7 Swords
3 Daggers
2 Pike Heads
1 Spear
4 Knives
1 Hunting Sword
3 Cutting Knives
1 Quiver
1 Shield
1 Shusthanah
3 Sword Hilts
2 Dagger do
3 Baunks
5 Rockits
1 Small brass Gun
10 Ramrods
1 Iron Cain
1 Matray Kole Hool-aidom, an Instrument in the form of a Crutch, Containing a Sword within —

4 Iron Canon Balls
924 Iron Surgoe balls
500 Musket Balls
6950 Lead Matchlock balls
260 Small Measures of Gun Powder
2 Pots of Brimstone
170 Measures of Salt petre
3 Pieces of Lead —

N.B. According to the attachee obtained by Kistnam Naig 2 Matchlocks were delivered by a person named Vellayen asary — 1 Sword, by a Bramin named Vencata royen, & 2 More Matchlocks & One Pike by a Person named allagun —

The rest of the articles have been discovered in the Poligars House —

To the Commercial Resident
at Ramnad

Sir,

D I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter enclosing a Government Bill in your favor for Star Pagodas 22,000 " " the amount of which is now forwarded under escort of a Guard —

Madura
12th June 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Collr

To the Commercial Resident
at Ramnad

Sir,

D I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter enclosing a Government Bill in your favor for Star Pagodas 22,000 " " the amount of which is now forwarded in Charge of the accompanying Guard, as pr Invoice inclosed —

(Signed) George Parish
Collr

Madura
12th June 1806 —

To the Accountant General
& Civil Auditor

Sir,

D I have the honor to transmit inclosed the Comparative Statement between the ancient and Permanent Jummah exhibiting also the particulars required as pr Form enclosed in Mr Higginson's letter

(Signed) Gn Parish
Collr

Sholavundan,
13th June 1806

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To the Register & Acting Judge
and Magistrate in Zillah
Ramnad

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 9th Instant, enclosing the Account Current & Vouchers appertaining thereto for the Month of May last.

Finding the sums drawn for in the Indent on account of the late Judge & Magistrate - The Register & Acting Judge & Magistrate, & for the Judge and Magistrate recently appointed, for the time specified therein, to be incorrect, as you will Observe by the accompanying Statement, I am therefore under the necessity of returning the account current with the respective Vouchers, that the necessary alteration may be made -

(Signed) George Parish,
Coll

Sholavundan
13th June 1806 -

To all the Zemindars of Tinnevelly Madura &
Dindigul & Manapara -

For your Information I send you a Paper, containing Proposals for a Subscription for the Person who first attended to, & brought into notice the practice of Vaccine Inoculation - The Benefit which all the world has derived from the humane attentions of Doctor Jenner - you must have all witnessed - for many thousands of People in this Country have been already vaccinated - who might otherwise have been cut off - by the most dreadful of all

Diseases the Small Pox

As Zemindars Guardians of the Prosperity of your Ryots, especially as the Disease called Small Pox, has raged yearly in your Countries to the great Detriment of your Interest by the Loss of Many useful Inhabitants - I recommend the enclosed Paper to your attentive Considera-tion and should you be Convinced of the great advantage which the Introduction of Cow Pox Inoculation has Conferred on your Country - You will Shew your Sense of the Obligation which you Owe to the Gentlemen who brought the same into Notice, by putting down your Name, with a Suitable Sum, as a Subscription as Donation for him -

It is not Meant that you, are by this Letter [illegible] to give any Sum of Money but it is entirely left to your [illegible] free will, and good understanding -

You will return the Paper to Me with the Subscription You May Make - as well as those of Donations, which other Inhabitants of your Zemindary May give -

There will be no Occasion to Pay the Money immediately - that point will be arranged with every Consideration to your Convenience -

(Signed) George Parish Coll.

Sholavundam
14th June 1806

To the President & Members of the Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

1st Under date the 18th of September 1804 - I was

was informed by your Board that the Draft of a Regulation for the future Management of the Revenues arising from the Sale of Arrack and Toddy had received the approbation of the Governor in Council and had been forwarded in Conformity to the Orders of His Excellency the Governor General in Council for his Excellency's approval and Confirmation — I was at the same time directed to enforce the Regulation transmitted to me under Date the 3.d August 1803 — to prevent the Inconvenience and Delay which might occur before the same could be regularly published at this Presidency —

2.d Agreeably to these Instructions the exclusive Privilege of Selling Spirituous Liquor was transferred to certain Individuals under the Restrictions provided for by the Regulations —

3.d Frequent Complaints are however preferred by the Renters, that Persons who were in the Habit of Manufacturing Arrack & Toddy previous to the Establishment of a Rent System refuse to discontinue this Practice notwithstanding the Promulgation of its being prohibited under a Penalty of 100 Rupees on Conviction of the Offence before the Adawlut of the Zillah —

4 It would be an easy matter to enforce Obedience to the Orders of Government in this Respect if the Draft of the Regulation had been passed into a Law but until that desirable Measure takes place — I have reason to believe, the Judge of the Zillah Cannot enforce the Penalty enacted for the Offence of Selling Liquor without a License — I have therefore taken the Liberty of bringing this subject under your Consideration in the hope that some Measures may be adopted to guard the Renters against Loss which

must ultimately affect their Means to perform their Engagements with Government —

Sholavundan
15th June 1806 (Signed) George Parish Collr.

To the President & Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to enclose Registers of Receipts issued by me to the Zemindars and to My Public Servants in the Zillah of Ramnad Dindigul and in the District of Madura for the Month of May 1806 —

Madura
15th June 1806 — (Signed) George Parish Collr.

To the Register to the
Sudder Foujdarry Adawlet

Sir,

I have the honor of transmitting to you the Monthly Reports for the last Month —

Madura
15th June 1806 (Signed) George Parish Collr.

To the Acting Judge & Magistrate
in the Zillah of Ramnad

Sir,

The Presence of Meyapillay late Sumperty of the Ramnad Cutcherry, whilst that Province, was under assumption, being required to give some Information relative to his former Employment — I request you will be pleased to send him to me with your earliest Conveniency —

Sholavundan
15th June 1806 (Signed) George Parish Collr.

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To the President & Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

Para 1st —— The Compensation fixed by Government for Commissioners, appointed to sell distrained Property of Defaulting Ryots, being totally inadequate when Considered independent of the allowance granted to Cauzies, and the Difficulty I have experienced in the Nomination of proper persons for this Duty - induces me to recommend that the Commissioners to be appointed in the Circar Lands of Madura May receive a Pay of 8 Pagodas each pr Month, in addition to the Percentage allowed for the Sale of Property according to the Regulations -

2d. The personal Responsibility a Commissioner incurs by the Smallest Deviation from the established Rules which in Many Instances entitles the Defaulter to a discharge from his arrears - seems to point out - that the Government is equally interested that this Office should be filled by respectable People, who will easily - Comprehend and act up to the letter, as well as the Spirit of the Regulations, in this respect enacted -

3d. A Change of Government so great, as is about to be introduced in this Country cannot fail being attended in its outset with Many Inconveniences, the More so since the People in general have a very erroneous Idea of the power vested in the Revenue Servants under the present - Regulations - In witnessing the difficulty which the Zemin=dars experience (where the Judicial System has taken place) to realize their Rents, it is natural to suppose, that the

Ryots of this Country look to the same deceitful Evasion of paying the dues of Government, ~~whilst~~ Considering that the Inconvenience & Loss of Revenue to the Zemindars, arises solely in their Ignorance, and their Omission to exercise those Powers with which they are legally vested - I Conceive - therefore that no point ought to be Omitted to impress the People at Once with the efficacy of our present Laws - whilst the Introduction of the new System of Revenue, will be a Satisfactory proof to the surrounding Zemindars that the Government in subjecting themselves to the same Restrictions, must be Convinced that every Pro-vision has been made in Support of their authority Consistent with Justice -

4th. Whatever difficulties May eventually arise in the prosecution of this desirable Object - Your Board must be aware, that the first step to secure the dues of Government is to be prepared against opposition to our just Demands, and that until the appointment of Commis-sioners to enforce the same, no legal distraint of Property can take place, and as I am of Opinion that no time - ought to be lost in their Nomination - I have agreeably to the Regulations recommended Certain Persons to the Judge of the Zillah, for this duty and held out to them the Prospect of receiving your approbation to the allowances now proposed - Holding their Commissions directly from the Judge of the Zillah, and being bound down, under certain Penalties, to abide by the Regulations on their personal Responsibility it of Course Cannot affect the Interest of the People to grant the Indulgence I have proposed - Indeed I see no prospect of securing their services upon other terms for it is

90 is impossible to expect that People Capable of acting in that Capacity would undertake the Charge upon the Mere Chance of having no other Subsistence except what May occur by the Sale of Property of a few Defaulting Ryots —

(Signed) George Parish
Coll.

Sholavundan
16th June 1806 —

Judicial Dept.

To the Secretary to the Government
in the Judicial Department

Sir,

The Establishment of a Judicial Court in the Zillah of Madura, rendering it necessary that a Government Pleader should be immediately appointed to prosecute and Defend the Causes of Government induces Me to request that a Vakeel May be Nominated with as little Delay as possible —

I should have taken the Liberty to propose Some Person for the situation, were I acquainted with any to justify this recommendation, and Convinced as I am of the Importance attached to the Efficient Execution of that Office, I do not Consider Myself at Liberty to propose any of the Pleaders in the Zillah Court of Dindigal — under these Circumstances I beg leave to suggest for the approbation of the Right Honble the Governor in Council that Shaminaudapillay Government Pleader lately Nominated in the adawlet of Ramnad May be directed to act in that Capacity at Madura until the situation Can be filled with a Person of equal experience and ability

Shamnadapillay will bring to the deligent

Execution of this Trust three years practical Knowledge of the Regulations - and as the services of a Government Vakeel have hitherto not been required in the Zillah of Ramnad I shall hope that the Recommendation now submitted will meet with His Lordship's approbation and Sanction -

(Signed) George Parish Collr.

Sholavundan
16th June 1806 -

To the General Agent of Salt Monopoly

Sir,

The Renter of the Company's Salt Pans in Ramnad previous to the Establishment of a Monopoly - having a quantity of Salt still on hand of which he wishes to dispose I request to be informed whether the former rate of Duty (50 ℘ Cent) is to be charged on the same or whether the transit of it into the Interior is to be permitted free of all Custom -

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The Salt, in the late Renters Possession does not exceed 16 Garce -

(Signed) George Parish Collr.

Sholavundan
16th June 1806 -

To the Officer Commanding
Dindigul

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose herewith a list of the Prices of Grain and Provisions of every Sort in the several Bazars in the District of Dindigul -

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(Signed) George Parish Collr.

Madura
17th June 1806

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To the Officer Commanding

Madura

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose herewith a List of the Prices of Grain and Provisions of every sort in the Several Bazars in the District of Madura.

Madura
17th June 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Coll^r.

To the Secretary to Government
in the Revenue Department

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter under Date the 7th Instant Conveying to Me the authority of Government for the Payment of a Pension to the Wife of Peria Murdoo – whose Name – which I Omitted to State in My application is Meenachee amma

Sholavundan
18th June 1806

(Signed) George Parish Coll^r.

To the Accountant General, and
Civil Auditor
Fort St. George

Sir

Para 1st

From Circumstances which I have detailed to the Board of Revenue the Gross Receipts of My Treasury for Next Month are likely to be decreased in the Sum of Star Pag^s. 8528. 19. 67.

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The Charges will remain as before estimated in the Sum of Star Pagodas 6064 – " – " and Consequently leave My Nett appropriable Revenue at the Sum of S. Pag^s. 32607. 22. 13. instead of Pagodas 41136 – " – " as before estimated

Madura
20th June 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Coll^r.

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To the President & Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

Parā 1st. Having been employed in the Months of January and February in visiting such Estates in the Dindigul District as had fallen in arrears and Completed a Settlement with the Ryots, where the Zemindars had entered into no Specific Engagements and having afforded personally every assistance to them, in Collecting their Inhabitants, and the Curnoms with their accounts, and Superintended the distribution of Putteom — I returned to this Province and Commenced My Circuit, in Order to form a Settlement with the Ryots of Madura, and I have now the honor to lay before you a Jummah & Kist-bundy for fusly 1215 — accompanied by Detailed Statements —

Vide Statements A from No 1 to 5

2. Owing to the backward State of the Crop, it was advisable to delay the adjustment of My Jummah-bundy to a later period than usual. — This Circumstance, added to My absence in the early season of the year, has unavoidably caused some Delay in the transmission of the Documents now laid before you, but which might nevertheless have been forwarded at an earlier period, had I not deemed it necessary to proceed to each Talook for adjusting the Rent, as well as for the purpose of investigating certain points Connected with the Proposed permanent Settlement of this Province — Being at

this

this Moment engaged in framing Materials referring to that Important arrangement, will I trust excuse me in your Opinion for limiting the Subject of this address to the Mere Detail of the Settlement of the year, the principle on which it is formed having been frequently brought under your Consideration —

3. In My Moyen Zabitah for Fusly 1215 I took the liberty to recommend the appointment of Monigars to Superintend the Harvest, an arrangement which has fully answered the expectation I had formed of its benefit, —

4. It cannot be doubted but that with the best regulated Checks, to secure the fidelity of Curnums and Nautomcars, their Conduct & Proceedings ought always to be watched with a Jealous Eye, and that any Relaxation in vigilance will not only affect the public resources of Government, but will lead to an abusive Exercise of their authority over the lower Inhabitants — I shall explain in a seperate address the principles on which the Nautomcars & Curnums have hitherto held their Office and performed their duty, and the Regulations I have established to secure their services with more regard to the public Interest it will suffice to notice here that I deemed the appointment of Monigars to Superintend the Revenue of four or five Villages a Measure of great Importance —

5. The Monigars having been nominated at an early period after the Cultivation Commenced, they were directed to attend to its progress, under Instructions

Instruction B. which herewith accompany, and as the season had every appearance of being unfavorable — I ordered them to be particularly active in noticing the extent of the Crop, likely to, be destroyed from the want of rain, and to Survey the Lands actually cultivated — The latter arrangement I was induced to adopt from a strong suspecion existing in My Mind, that the former survey, conducted by the Nautomcars and Curnoms, was incorrect and that the Monigars would have full leisure to attend to this Object, independent of their other Duty, without any additional Expence to the Circar —

6. The result of this Measure on the actual cultivation of the year, is as follows —

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Vide Statement C.	Extent of Nunjeh Cultivation in fusly 1215 as p^r actual		
Column 7.	Survey	32,540 „	6
D^o 5.	Ditto as p^r former Measurement	31170 „	15 3/4
D^o 7.	Nett Increase added to the settlement	1369 „	6 1/4
	Extent of Punjeh Cultivation in fusly 1215 as p^r actual		
Column 8.	Survey	246,085	13 3/4
D^o 6.	Ditto as p^r former Measurement	221336	9
D^o 8.	Nett Increase added to the settlement	24,749	4 3/4

Vide statement D. 7. Considering the Increase which occurred by the survey, I deemed it also just to allow a Remission on the unproductive Lands under the Head of Column 3 Shavy, amounting in Nunjeh to S. P^s 3514 „ F 17 „ c 18 and in Pun- D^o 7 jeh to S. P^s 982 - F 23 - c 15.

8. The settlement having been concluded on the foregoing Principle, I have the satisfaction to state its

amount

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Col. 18.	amount to be S. Pag.s f.s c. 124,799„ 2„ 66 including Surna-adayom derived from the Land, and exclusive of Pagoda fees of the Hufta Davestanom and Urda Mauniems —
	9. To draw a Comparison, I have prepared the accompanying Statement Shewing the Revenues of the last three years, exclusive of the Surna-adayom
Vide Statement E	formerly Collected under the Head of Personal & Professional Taxes as well as Pagoda fees, by which your
Col. 4.	Board will Observe that the Settlement of the present fusly exceeds the last in S. P.s f.s c. 37,685„ 38„ 53„ and is higher than
Col 6.	fusly 1213 in the Sum of S. P.s f. c. 6992„ 34„ 42 —
Vide Statement F	10. The Total Land Revenue to be derived from the Province of Madura & Nuttom from Farms & Licences, in Dindigul, Madura & Ramnad from Well Rents and the Monopoly of Salt amounts this year to
Col 3 & 4	S. Pag.s f.s c. 154,076„ 28„ 38„ being an Increase of S. P.s f. c. 56,293„ 17„ 16 in
Do. 6.	fusly 1214 & of S. P.s 27,462„ 33„ 37„ in fusly 1213 —

11. In closing this Detail relative to the Settlement of the Province of Madura, I beg leave to call your attention to the extent of Nunjeh Cultivated, and the great advantage the Inhabitants have derived from the Sale of their Grain, the whole Malwarem having been transferred to them at the Jummahbundy price of five & Six fanams p. Cullom whilst the Bazar rate has never been less than 9 fanams and is at present so high as 12 Cully fanams p.r Cullom —

12. The Tribute payable by the Zemindars of Tinnevelly, Dindigul, Madura, & Manapara, amounts

Star Pag.s f.s c

Vide Statement A N.o 2. to 455,553. 11„ 47½ as p.r Jummah & Kistbundy herewith forwarded – I am Concerned to add that a very Considerable Balance has accrued in the Course of the year, which is to be attributed in some respects to the season, but more particularly to the heavy Load of debt which the Zemin=dars incurred in the last fusly to make good their public Engagements with Government – The fear of being Prosecuted in the Zillah Courts, and the Knowledge the Polejars possessed, that a decision against them would be followed by the sale of their Lands, have induced Many to pay a part of their debts from the public Revenue – Many of the Pollams and Estates are under assumption for arrears, agreeably to the prin=ciples laid down in the Regulations & as the year is nearly expired, I shall have the honor to forward a seperate Report upon this subject in the Course of a short time –

Customs. 13. – The favorable Sentiments I had reason to express soon after the Introduction of the new Custom Regulations, relative to the Effect that system, promised have on the Collections, and the subsequent disappoint=ment of my hopes induces me to address your Board again upon this subject –

14. The long established usages under which the former Sayer Regulations were adminstered had rendered it familiar to every Class of Tradesman to pay a Duty on their Goods, at some Choukey or other, before the sale would be permitted, and in this belief, they continued for some months, after the Introduction of

of the New System to import them into Town, where People collected from the adjacent Villages, to supply their wants on Market Days - This System of course ceased when the Merchants became better acquainted with the present Mode of administering the Customs, and they as well as the Inhabitants, find it now their Interest to Trade with

Vide Statement G the Villages direct, where no duties are levied - The Result of this Change has naturally affected our Receipts on a Comparison with former times, when every public Road, and every bye Path; was over run with Watchers to force Merchants to the nearest Chouky for the purpose of Registering their Goods and exacting the Customs - There can be no doubt however that the former System of Collecting those Dues was liable to so many Objections, Compared with the present liberal Principle on which the Trade of the Country is carried on, to the great benefit of Public & Individual Prosperity, that I consider the decrease in our Collections to be the result more of an injudicious Establishment of Town Choukies, than to any Defect in the System itself

15. On a serious re-consideration of the subject, I feel Myself called upon to state that I was not aware of all the Objections which existed against the Numerous Introduction of Town Choukies and that, had I foreseen the Evil, likely to result, I should have confined their Number to a very few - Under these Circumstances I deemed it expedient, some Months ago to discontinue the

Vide Statement H Choukies, as referred to, in the accompanying List - Considering that it was not the intention of the System to establish them, where the Population was small, and the

Trade Confined to a few Individuals, and where the Collections would Consequently be so trifling as noticed in the Statement With your permission I shall propose a still further Reduction, Convinced that it is not the desire of Government, to burthen the People with Taxes of a local Nature where the Merchants do not find it their Interest to establish themselves - The Cloth Manufacture of the Country which was formerly very extensive has been discontinued as a Branch of Trade, owing to the Demand for that article having ceased since the Commencement of the late war, and the Duty on Grain having been abolished, and every other Kind of excise on articles of Consumption being very small - are Circumstances which have also in a great Measure Combined to reduce our Receipts on this account —

Survey - Vide Statement I

16. Considering the favorable Result which has attended the Survey of the Cultivated Lands, in Madura & Nuttom, and adverting to the benefit which the Permanent Settlement will derive from prosecuting the work to a Conclusion, induced me to Continue the present Establishment of Monigars in the Talooks, until the whole Measurement of the Province should be Completed, the Progress of this Important Object is in such a State of forwardness as to enable me to promise, that it will be Completed by the end of July or Commencement of August, and as I am aware of your anxiety for the Speedy Introduction of the permanent Settlement, as well as to aid the Talook Sheristadars in arranging the voluminous accounts which require adjustment in a Survey - I have added a Small establishment of

Gomastahs

108 Gomastahs to each District as stated in the accom=
Vide Memo J =panying Memorandum, to which I request your
Sanction, as well as to the Continuance of the Moni=
=gars Establishment until the Completion of the
Measurement of the Lands - amounting in all to
S.P. f. c.
353„ 25„ 36. p.r Month —

17. The Labour which has been bestowed, in ascertaining the Revenues of the year by personal Exertions for the last Eight Months will I trust be visible in the favorable result of the present Settlement; but I should be wanting in what is due to the inde=fatigable assiduity, & Zealous Exertions of My assistant were I to pass unnoticed that I have received the most Cordial assistance from Mr. Harding on every occasion in the execution of the public Duties Confided to My Superintendance —

Sholavundan, (Signed) George Parish
21st. June 1806 — Coll.r

To the General Agent of Salt Monopoly —

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge your Deputy's Letter of the 16th. ult.o & to transmit the Statements required relative to the Charges incurred on account of Heaping Salt from the Pans (immediately dependent on the Salt-Lake near Chittray Monigars Muddoom &c.) Separately for every Month from September last —

Madura (Signed) George Parish Coll.r
25. June 1806

To Mr. D. Cockburn
late Zillah Judge for Dindigul

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose a Memorandum

D from the Accountant General & Civil Auditor, and to request you will send to me the amount Difference which you are required to refund —

Madura — (Signed) George Parish
25.th June 1806 Coll.r
on the Passport Service

To the Secretary to Government
in the Public Department

Sir,

D I have the honor to inform you that no Passports have been Received or issued from this Station in the Month of June 1806 —

Madura (Signed) George Parish
1.st July 1806 Coll.r

To Charles Wetherell Esquire
Paymaster
Palamcottah

Sir,

D I herewith transmit the Pay and Muster Rolls of the Lascars of Tents for last Month —

Madura — (Signed) George Parish
1.st July 1806 — Coll.r

To the President and Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

D I have the honor to transmit herewith a Statement of Demand Collection and Balance of the Zillah of Ramnad &c.a for last Month —

(Signed) George Parish
Madura Coll.r
7.th July 1806 —

110 To the Accountant General &
Civil Auditor
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith the Account Current of the Zillah of Ramnad &ca. for last Month together with the Vouchers appertaining thereto, agreeably to the accompanying List of the Packets

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

Madura
7th July 1806 –

R. Fullerton Esquire
General Agent for Salt Monopoly
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith the Account Current and Statement of Salt Manufactured Sold and remaining on hand for last Month –

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

Madura
9th July 1806

To the Commercial Resident
Ramnad

Sir,

I have herewith the honor to enclose a Quarterly Returns of the Quantity of Cloth Exported in the Zillah of Ramnad from the 1st. April to the 30th. June 1806 –

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

Madura
11th July 1806

R. Fullerton Esqr. Salt Agent

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the

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D receipt of Your Assistants Letter of the 2.d Instant accom-panying 350 Rawanahs -

(Signed) George Parish Coll.

Madura
14.th July 1806

To the Accountant General and
Civil Auditor

D Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith a Statement Shewing the Gross Collections, Charges, and Nett Revenue of the Sea Customs, Frontier, and Town Duties as required in your Deputy Accountant's Letter of the 26.th ultimo -

(Signed) George Parish Coll.

Madura
15.th July 1806

To the President and Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

D I have the honor to enclose Register of Receipts issued by me to the Zemindars and to my public servants in the Zillah of Ramnad, Dindigul, and in the District of Madura for the Month of June 1806 -

(Signed) Geo Parish Coll.

Madura
15. July 1806

To the Officer Commanding
Dindigul

Sir,

D I have the honor to enclose herewith a List of the Prices of Grain and Provisions of every Sort in the Several Buzars in the District of Dindigul

(Signed) G. Parish Coll.

Madura
18.th July 1806

To the Officer Commanding Madura

Sir,

D I have the honor to enclose herewith

112 a List of the Prices of Grain and Provisions of every sort in the several Buzars in the District of Madura —

Madura (Signed) George Parish,
13th July 1806 — Collr

To the Late Register, Acting Judge & Magistrate
in the Zillah Court of Ramnad,

Sir,

In Charge of the accompanying Guard, I have the honor to transmit the amount of the Judicial Indent for the Month of June 1806 being S. Ps 1752 — 26. 7.

The Batta Bill is also enclosed which I will thank you to Sign and Return —

Madura (Signed) George Parish, Collr
19th July 1806

To the Officer Commanding
Madura

Sir,

I am this Instant favored with your Letter informing me that you have Confined the Butcher under a Military Guard in Consequence of ~~no~~ having refused to supply Mutton, having been Supplied to the Troops in Garrison —

Previous to the Introduction of the Judicial System it was the Duty of a Collector, to Observe that the Market was Supplied with Provisions of every Kind — but under the present Regulations I Consider this Responsibility attached to the Office of the Magistrate as forming part of the Duties of Police —

Under these Circumstances I do not Conceive Myself authorized to interfere, but I have no doubt that your application to the Acting Magistrate, will be immediately attended to — and that the Inconvenience of which you Complain will be Speedily remedied —

Madura (Signed) G. Parish, Collr
20th July 1806

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To the Accountant General and
Civil Auditor
Fort St. George

Sir,

Para 1st From Circumstances which I have detailed to the Board of Revenue the Gross Receipts of my Treasury for Next Month are likely to be increased in the Sum of Star Pagodas 39788" 35" 75"

2d The Charges will remain as before estimated in the Sum of Star Pagodas 5574 " " " and Consequently leave my Nett appropriable Revenue at the Sum of Star Pagodas 40264. 35. 75 instead of Pagodas 476 as before estimated.

(Signed) Geo. Parish Coll.

Madura
21st July 1806

To the Officer Commanding
Madura

Sir,

In answer to your Letter of this Days date I have to inform you that the Complaint therein stated ought to be preferred to the Judge & Magistrate of this Zillah who will no doubt punish the Servants at Mellore who refused to Cooperate with the Men sent by you to apprehend the Deserters of the 2d Battn. 23d Regiment.

(Signed) George Parish Coll.

24th July 1806

To the Register to the
Sudder Foujdarry adawlut

Sir,

Agreeable to the Instructions of the Secretary

Secretary of Government in the Judicial Department
I have the honor to transmit the Oaths administered
by me to Mr. Wm R. Irwin, Judge & Magistrate of
the Zillah of Madura

Madura (Signed) George Parish
25th July 1806 Collr

I, William R. Irwin appointed Judge of the Court of Adawlet of the Zillah of Madura Solemnly swear that I will administer Justice Conformably to the Regulations that have been or may be passed by the Governor in Council, to the best of my ability, Knowledge and Judgement, without fear, favor, promise or hope of reward, that I will not receive directly or indirectly, any present or Nuzzer in Money or Effects of any kind, from any party or person whomsoever on account of any suit to be instituted, or which may be depending or has been decided in the Court of which I am appointed Judge; that I will not knowingly permit any person or persons under my authority, or in my immediate service, to receive, directly or indirectly, any present or Nuzzer, in Money or Effects from any party or person whomsoever on account of any suit to be instituted or which may be depending, or has been decided in the Court; that I will render a true and faithful account of all Sums of Money that may be paid into the Court or disbursed from it; that I will not be Concerned, directly, or indirectly, in the purchase of any goods or Commodities in the British dominions, under the Presidency of Fort St. George, for the purpose of remitting Money to Europe nor in any Commercial transactions; and that I will not derive, directly or indirectly, any emoluments or advantages from my Station excepting such as the Orders

of Government do, or May authorize Me to receive ~

So help Me God

(Signed) Wm. Rn. Irwin
Judge of the Zillah of
Madura

Sworn to, and Subscribed in My presence this 23d.
Day of July 1806 ~

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

I, Wm. Robert Irwin appointed
Magistrate of the Zillah of Madura Solemnly Swear,
that I will to the best of My ability preserve the peace of
the Zillah, over which My authority extends, that I will
act with impartiality and integrity, and will not exact
or receive, nor Knowingly allow any other person to exact
or receive directly or indirectly any fee, reward, or Emolu
=ment whatsoever in the execution of or on account of
any Matter relating to the Duties of My Office, excepting
such as the Orders of the Governor in Council, do, or May
expressly authorize, and that I will perform the duties of My
Office, according to the best of My Knowledge, abilities, and
Judgement Conformably to the Regulations that have been,
or May be passed by the Governor in Council

So help Me God ~

(Signed) Wm. Rn. Irwin
Magistrate of the Zillah,
of Madura

Sworn to, and Subscribed in My presence this 23d. Day
of July 1806 ~

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

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A. Obins Esquire
Private Secretary
&c. &c. &c.

Sir,

For the Information of the Right Honble the Governor I have the honor to Submit a Register of Subscriptions to the present time Made by the Different Zemindars for the benefit of Doctor Jenner —

(Signed) Geo. Parish, Coll^r.

Teppacollum
29th July 1806 —

To the Secretary to the Committee of Finance
Fort St. George —

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge your letter under Date the 12th April approving of the Mode Suggested in My Letter to the Accountant General Dated 20th Novr last for the regulation of the Post Office Department in the Districts under My charge —

The Zillah of Ramnad having been Sepe=rated from the other Districts under My charge and placed under M^r. Kinloch I have deemed it adwisable to Submit two distinct Statements of the Expense attend=ing the Conveyance of the Tappal through our Respective Divisions —

I have taken the liberty to recommend an Increase of Pay to the Runners between Madura & Ramnad from 1½ to 2 Pagodas and have added 4 additional Runners to the Number hitherto employed

in order to Complete the Establishment upon the principle laid down in your Letter of the 25th of March — the Statements of the Expences incurred to erect Huts for the Runners as well as for the Pay of a person to measure the Distances I have the honor to enclose — and request that the Sanction of Government may be obtained to enable me to bring the same into my accounts

Madura
29th July 1806 — (Signed) George Parish
Collr

To the Accountant General and
Civil Auditor

Sir,

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Mr David Cockburn having received no Pay or allowances from this Treasury since the month of April — will account to you, for my not having credited in my accounts the sum of 500 Star Pagodas directed to be received from that Gentleman in your Letter of the 13th of June —

(Signed) George Parish
Madura
Collr
29th July 1806

To the Judge & Magistrate of the
Zillah of Madura

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Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Register's Letter and the amount of fines levied in the Zillah Court for the following Months —

April	6 - 8 - 69
May	46 - 41 - 52
June	10 - 24 - 7
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Teppacollum
29th July 1806 — (Signed) G. Parish Collr

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To the President & Members of the

Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter under date the 21st July and agreeably to the orders therein Contained all the Custom Servants from the Town Choukies &c have been withdrawn in the Districts under my charge —

A Statement of the Expense incurred from the Commencement of Fusly 1216 to the 31st of July amounting to S Ps f c I have the honor to enclose and for which I request your Sanction may be Conveyed to me —

The Establishment of Servants employed in the Collections of the Sea port Duties will be submitted with my Revenue Moyen Zabita —

Teppacollum
30th July 1806 — (Signed) G. Parish
Collr

R. Fullerton Esquire
General Agent for Salt Monopoly
Fort St. George

Sir

I have the honor to transmit herewith the account Current and Statement of Salt Manufactured Sold and remaining on hand from the 1st to the 12th July 1806 as required in your Letter of the 22d Instant —

(Signed) George Parish
Collr

Madura
31st July 1806

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To the Officer Commanding

Ramnad

Sir,

D In Charge of the accompanying Guard, I have the honor to transmit the amount of the allowance of the Corps under your Command for July 1806 Shooly Chuckd. 5288.. 5.. – " —

Madura (Signed) George Parish

31st July 1806 Collr.

To the Officer Commanding

Ramnad

Sir,

In Charge of the accompanying Guard I have the honor to transmit the amount of Buzar Fund

D of Ramnad Fort to the 12th July 1806 as pr account Current accompanying —

Madura (Signed) George. Parish

31st July 1806 – Collr.

To the President & Members of the

Board of Revenue —

Gentlemen,

Parad. 1st I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 3d Instant enclosing a — Schedule of the Districts which it is proposed should

R Constitute the Zillah of Madura, and desiring me to State my Opinion of that Distribution, previously to its being Carried into Effect —

2. The transfer which has been made of certain Pollams from the Zillah of Ramnad to Madura, as well as the annexation of some Zemindaries to the Zillah of Coimbatore – seems calculated in every Respect, to make each Division more compact; but considering the present Extent of the Zillah of Madura, which with the proposed transfers will be encreased, I would beg leave to suggest, that the Talook of Nadoomundalum be annexed to the Zillah of Ramnad instead of being placed under My authority –

3. The Distance between Madura & Nadoomundalum being fifty miles, & the Necessity which exists that I should frequently visit the Estates in Dindigul, seems to render this arrangement adviseable, whilst the whole of the Lands in the Zillah of Ramnad being permanently settled, will afford Mr Kinloch more leisure to attend to the Management of Nadoomundalum, than I can at this Moment bestow, considering the other Duties attached to My Station as Collector of Madura, Dindigul, and of 30 of the Pollams attached to those Provinces –

4. If Mr Kinloch should fix upon a centrical spot for the Residence of his Principal Cutcherry – he will be in the Neighbourhood of Nadoomundalum, whilst I shall never be less than fifty and frequently eighty or Ninety miles distant from that Talook –

5 The Geographical Position of Ramnad

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where the Adawlet is established, renders it Nevertheless necessary that Nadoomundalam should Continue Subject to the Zillah Court of Madura, but as every Collector will of Course Consult the Convenience of the public, in fixing upon the place of his Residence Mr. Kinloch cannot adopt a More Centrical Situation for the general Superintendance of that Division than the Neighbourhood of Nadoomundalum

Teppacollum
31st July 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

To the Judge & Magistrate of the
Zillah of Madurah

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 26th Instant enclosing a Statement of the Police Establishment you propose to submit to Government for the Zillah of Madura

Having attentively Considered the arrangements you have made for Securing the Peace & tranquility of these Districts I have Only to remark that My Opinion accords entirely with your Own as to the Extent of the Establishment, as well as to the Necessity of its immediate Introduction

It would appear Superfluous to recapitulate in this place the Character and Conduct which the lower Class of People in this Country have foragers maintained, Since the Subject has frequently engaged the Most Serious attention of Government; but I should be wanting in what is due to the Support of My Own authority

authority, as well as to the Success of your Department were I to Conceal, that any Relaxation in Vigilance from those Measures which have hitherto Governed our Conduct towards them Cannot fail being attended with Evil Effects –

The Combined Efforts of a Revenue & Police Establishment aided by certain local Restraints usual in these Districts, have in a great Degree Suppressed those Scenes of Depredation, which So notoriously Disgraced the Character of the Inhabitants residing in the Collery Nauds of Mellore Anyoor & Nuttum, but it will occur to you that this favorable Change in their Conduct cannot be expected to Continue unless an Efficient Police be immediately Substituted in lieu of the Revenue authority now withdrawn –

The Police Peons late under My Orders, were principally employed in the Mellore and Anyoor Nauds whilst the Revenue Establishment with each Tasildar, was engaged in Maintaining the Peace & tranquility of the remaining Talooks of Madura –

In answer to the 3^{d} Para^{h} of your Letter I have to Observe that altho' it is Contrary to the Revenue Regulations to issue Money without Special authority – Still

on the present occasion [illegible] I have no Objection to defray the Charges of Police on My Own Responsibility until the Sanction of Government can be Obtained being Convinced that the tranquility of the Country & the realization of the Revenue will greatly depend, upon the immediate Introduction of an efficient Police –

(Signed) George Parish
Coll^{r}

Madura
31st July 1806 –

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To the Secretary to Government
in the Public Department

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that no Passports have been received or issued from this station in the Month of July 1806 –

(Signed) George Parish,
Collr

Madura
1st August 1806

To Charles Wetherell Esqre
Paymaster
Pallamcottah

Sir,

I herewith transmit the Pay and Muster Ro[ll] of the Lascars of Tents for last Month –

(Signed) George Parish
Collr

Madura
1st August 1806 –

To the President & Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to transmit herewith two Statements of Demand Collection and Balance of the Zillah of Ramn[ad] &ca for last Month –

(Signed) George Parish
Collr

Madura
8th August 1806

To the Accountant General and
Civil Auditor
Fort St George –

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith the Account Current of the Zillah of Ramnad &ca for last Month

Month, together with the Vouchers appertaining thereto agreeably to the accompanying List of the Packet —

Madura (Signed) George Parish
Collr.
8th August 1806

To the Judge and Magistrate
of the Zillah of Madura

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Register's Letter and the amount of fine being S.Ps. F. C. 44 - 25 - 32 levied in the Zillah Court for the Month of July 1806 —

Madura (Signed) George Parish
Collr.
11th August 1806

R.d Fullerton Esquire
General Agent for Salt Monopoly
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith the Account Current and Statement of Salt Manufactured, Sold and remaining on hand from the 13th to the 31st July 1806 as required in your letter of the 22d Ultimo —

Madura (Signed) George Parish
Collr.
11th August 1806

To the Paymaster at Palamcottah

Sir,

When Convenient I request you will be pleased to remit to Me the amount of Compensation Money due for Cloathing to the Lascars attached to the Revenue Department as ⅌ enclosed Abstract Sanctioned by the Military Board —

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.
Madura 12th Augt. 1806

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To the Register of the
Zillah Court of Ramnad

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit the amount of the establishment of the Court for July 1806 as follows

Amount of your account Current	1373 - 44 - 2
Deduct the amount of Civil fund for June included in Creditor side of your account Current	13 - 4 - 45
Nett amount S. Ps	1360 - 39 - 37

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transmitted in Charge of the accompanying Guard—

The Batta Bill is enclosed which I will thank you to Sign, and return—

The amount of Subscription to the Civil fund for the Month of June having been Credited in the Collectors account for that Month he cannot without permission from the Accountant General repay the amount from the Treasury. the Collector will apply to Mr. Smith for his Sanction to remit the amount to Mr. Gregory—

Madura
12th Augt. 1806

(Signed) Geo. Parish
Collr.

To the President & Members of the
Board of Revenue

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Gentlemen,

I have the honor to transmit herewith the Jummabundy & Kistbundy of the Zillah of Ramnad for Fusly 1215 as required by Section XIII Regulation II 1803—

Madura
12th August 1806

Signed / George Parish
Coll.

To the President & Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to transmit herewith the Jummabundy & Kistbundy of the Zillah of Dindigul For Fusly 1215 as required by Section XIII Regulation II. 1803 —

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

Madura
12th August 1806

To Accountant General & Civil Auditor

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter Dated 5th Instant inclosing Duplicate of your address of the 14th June —

The Sums subscribed for the benefit of Doctor Jenner having not yet been paid into My Treasury prevents Me Sending you a Bill for the amount as directed — No time shall be lost in Collecting the Cash when your Instructions shall be Complied with —

Madura
12th August 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

To the Secretary to the
Military Board —

Sir

I beg leave to remind you that the Cloathing due to the Shivelipatore Company of Sebendies attached to Me has not furnished them Since the Year 1801 —

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

Madura
14th August 1806

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To the President and Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to lay before you the Proposed Moyenzabitah for the Provinces of Madura, & & Dindigul for Fusly 1216 —

The Small Increase which your Board will Observe in the Huzzoor List of Servants is Owing to the Division of the Districts late under My Management and the Obvious necessity which exists that the Import=ant work now Carrying on in the Province of Madura should receive no Check from the transfer of part of the Establishment to the Zillah of Ramnad —

the Documents required for the perma=nent settlement of the Province of Madura are in a Considerable State of forwardness and shall be laid before you with the least practicable Delay —

(Signed) George Parish
Coll^r

Teppacollum
15th August 1806

To the President & Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to enclose proposed Moyen-Zabitah for the Zillah of Ramnad for Fusly 1216 amounting Star Pagodas 265 p^r Month being a Decrease of S. Pag^s 21 on the Establishment authorized for last year

(Signed) George Parish
Coll^r

Madura
15th August 1806

To the President & Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to acquaint you that I have this Day delivered over Charge of the District composing the Zillah of Ramnad to My appointed Successor.

Mr. Kinlock's Receipt for the Cash on Hand on the 12th Instant being S Ps 113,957 f 34 c 20. I have the honor to enclose also a Receipt for the Records & appertaining to the Countries transferred to him

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

Teppacollum
17th August 1806

To the President & Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to enclose Register of Receipts, issued by me to the Zemindars & to my Public Servants in the Zillah of Dindigul & in the District of Madura for the Month of July 1806 –

Madura
15th August 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

The Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose an Indent of Stationary required by me and beg leave to request that it may be dispatched as soon as Convenient –

Madura
17th Augt. 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

To the Accountant General &
Civil Auditor
Fort St. George

Sir,

Para. 1st From Circumstances which I have detailed to the Board of Revenue the Gross receipts of my Treasury for next Month are likely to be increased in the Sum of St. Pagt. 5444 - 4 - 75 –

2d The Charges will remain as before esti=
=mated in the sum of Star Pagt. 2282 and Consequently leave my Nett appropriable Revenue at the Sum of S. Pagt. 5712 - 4 - 75 - instead of Pagt. 268 as before estimated –

(Signed) G. Parish
Collr.

Madura 21st Augt. 1806 –

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To the Accountant General and
Civil Auditor
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit Statements of Gross Collections Charges and Nett Receipts of Buzar Fund for last Fusly —

Madura
22d. August 1806 —

(Signed) George Parish
Coll.r

To the Accountant General &
Civil Auditor

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 28th Ult.o and agreeable to your desire herewith transmit the General Detailed Statement shewing the amount of Revenue due Gross Collections Charges & Nett Revenue in the Zillah of Dindigul & Madura —

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Madura
23d. Augt. 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Coll.r

To the President & Members of the
Board of Revenue

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Gentlemen,

I have the honor to transmit herewith the Statements of Gross Collections, Charges & Nett Receipts of Buzar Fund for the last Fusly —

Madura
23d. August 1806 —

(Signed) George Parish
Coll.r

The Secretary to Government
in the Public Department

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose Copies of the Register of Passports received and issued from this Station in the Month of August 1806 —

Madura (Signed) Geo. Parish Collr.
1st Septr. 1806

To the President and Members of the
Board of Revenue —

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to transmit here=with a Statement of Demand Collection and Balance of the Districts of Dindigul & Madura for last Month,

Madura (Signed) George Parish
7th Septr. 1806 — Collr.

To the Accountant General and
Civil Auditor

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit here=with the Account Current of the Districts of Dindigul & Madura for last Month, together with the Vouchers appertaining thereto agreeably to the accompanying List of the Packet —

Madura (Signed) George Parish
7th Septr. 1806 — Collr.

To Jn. Wallace Esquire
Principal Collector Trichinopoly

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose First of a
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Sett of Bills received from the 3.d Judge on Circuit for Star Pagodas 1792 " 30. the receipt of which I request you will be pleased to acknowledge in Duplicate as directed by the Accountant General and Civil Auditor

Madura (Signed) George Parish
10.th Sept.r 1806 Coll.r

To the President & Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

1. I have this Day dispatched to the Presiden=cy, for the Inspection of your Board a Map of the Province of Madura the Pollams of Nuttum Dindigul Madura & Manapara executed by the Surveyors attach=ed to me

2. The Government are now in possession of a Correct Geographical Survey of Coimbatore South of the Noyel Dindigul Daraporam & the Districts noticed in the first Paragraph

3. The whole of this Important work has been executed under the Superintendance of Ambrose Johnson, a Surveyor from the Observatory whose Zeal & ability will best appear by an Examination of the accompanying Map. I would therefore beg leave to recommend that Ambrose Johnson receive an Increase of Pay to the Extent of P. as the same as is allowed to the Senior assistant attached to the Office of Revenue Surveys

4. I have only to add that the Conduct of Ambrose Johnson and his two assistants William Fletcher and C. Perara claims my entire approbation and as they have stated to me certain Claims to arrears for

132 for "Horse allowance" — an Indulgence which the Government have extended to all Surveyors from the Period of their first being detached from the Observatory — I beg leave to recommend the enclosed address to your favorable notice —

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

Teppacollum
12th Septr. 1806 —

To the Inspector of Revenue Surveys

Sir

I have this day despatched to the President & Members of the Board of Revenue a Map of the Province of Madura the Pollams of Nuttum Manapara Madura and Dindigul executed by the Surveyors from the Observatory attached to me —

My Letter to the Board of Revenue upon this Subject I have the pleasure to enclose & I trust you will support by your recommendation the Increase of Pay for the Senior Surveyor as well as the Claims advanced by him & his two assistants — to arrears due on account of Horse allowance —

(Signed) Geo. Parish
Collr.

Teppacollum
12th Septr. 1806 —

To the President and Members of the Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to enclose Register of Receipts issued by me to the Zemindars and to my Public Servants in the Zillah of Dindigul and in the District of Madura for the Month of August 1806 —

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

Madura
15th Septr. 1806 —

To the Accountant General and
Civil Auditor
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith the Quarterly accounts of this Station with the necessary List of the Packet upto the 12th July 1806

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Madura
17th Septr. 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

To the Accountant General and
Civil Auditor
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to forward herewith a Statement of Charges for Fusly 1215 in the Collectorate of the Districts of Dindigul & Madura with the Dates of the authorities both of the Board of Revenue and of Government under which they were made as pr. prescribed Form transmitted in your Deputy accountant's letter of the 20th ultimo

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(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

Madura
19th Septr. 1806

To the Collector in Zillah
Ramnad

Sir,

I enclose the Copy of a Letter addressed by me to the Board of Revenue with their reply relative to the transfer of the District of Nadoomundalum, to the Revenue Superintendance of your Division upon which Subject I request the favor of your Opinion.

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

Teppacollum
19th September 1806

To the Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

Sir,

I have the honor to annex Extract of a Letter from the Accountant General, and have to request that you will be pleased to enter the authority of Government where it may be wanting in the accompanying Statement—

Madura
20th Septr. 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

Extract of a Letter from the Accountant General Dated
23d June 1804

Para 5th. You will percieve I have nevertheless inserted in the form of the Statement now transmitted a Column for the Dates of the authorities of Government, those for the present Ausly, you of Course Cannot fill up, nor would I wish you to detain the Statement a day in Order to Obtain that information, but that on the Same day that you send it to this Office you Send a Copy to the Board of Revenue leaving the Column of the Dates of Government authorities, blank and requesting it may be filled up and transmitted to this office—

(A true Extract)

(Signed) Geo. Parish
Collr.

To the Accountant General and
Civil Auditor
Fort St. George

Sir,

Para 1st. From Circumstances which I have detailed to the Board of Revenue the Gross receipts of My Treasury for next Month are likely to be increased in the Sum of Star Pags. 4237„ 16. 67—

2d. The Charges will remain as before estimated

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estimated in the Sum of Star Pag.^s 2,282 " – " and Con=
=sequently leave My Nett appropriable Revenue at the
Sum of S. Pag.^s 4505 " 16 " 67 " instead of Pag.^s 268 " – "
before estimated –

Madura
20th Septr 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Coll.^r

To the President & Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

1. I have the honor to transmit enclosed
Copy of My Letter to Mr Hinloch with his reply re=
=lative to the transfer of the Talook of Nadoomund=
=lum to the Revenue Superintendance of his Division

2. The Pollams noticed in Mr Kinloch's
Letter were proposed by the Collector of Tinnevelly &
myself to be annexed to the Zillah of Tinnevelly in our
Letter to your Board dated 29th December 1804

Madura
24th Septr 1806

(Signed) Geo. Parish
Coll.^r

To the Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit Diary of
My Proceedings in Zillahs of Ramnad and Madura
for the Month of August 1806 –

Madura
29th Septr 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Coll.^r

To the President & Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

1.st I have the honor to transmit a detailed
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List of Pensions defrayed from the Revenues of the Districts under My Charge as Called for in your Secretary's Letter of the 10th Instant

These Disbursement have hitherto been always Submitted for Sanction in My Moyen Zabitah - and Shall Continue to be included agreeably to your Orders - (Signed) George Parish Collr

Tippacollum,
30th Septr 1806

To the President & Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

Para 1st I have the honor to acknowledge the recei[pt] of your Letter calling upon Me for particular Informatio[n] Connected with the Balances outstanding in the Zillah of Dindigul -

2d I was in hopes to have been able to subm[it] My Report upon this Subject at a much earlier Period, but the Investigation of those accounts - the adjustment of numerous Differences between the Zemindars & their Ryot[s] and the tedious formality of realizing Balances which the Ryots withhold, under various Pretexts - has unavoidably Caused Considerable Delay - Indeed I am still under the necessity of requesting your Indulgence for a few Days in Order to Complete My Report in the Shape I Originally intended to Submit it - and which when examined will I trust Demonstrate that every possible attention on My part has been shewn, to put your Board in Complete possession of every information, Connected with our Demands against the Dindigul Zemindars

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In the Mean time I have the honor to transmit a Statement (A) of those Balances as well as an advertizement (B) for Publication at the Presidency for the eventual Sale of the Estates unless the arrears be previously discharged —

3.d The Explanations I have annexed to the Statement of Balances (A) will Shew, that a part of the arrears are still to be recovered but from the general Situation and Circumstances of the Zemindars, owing to the adversity of Season as well as the heavy load of Debt incurred by them in Fusly 1214 — it is not to be expected that our Demands against them, can be Satisfactorily adjusted, without resorting to the Sale of their Estates —

4.th In the Pollams of Dindigul a Balance of S. Ps. f. c. 11511„ 22„ 56 is outstanding of which S. Ps. 4734 - 41 - 78 is by One Zemindar, who has voluntarily given Security to pay 4000 Pag.s by Instalments, — In the Six Pollams of Manapara Only S. P. f. c. 262„ 33„ 54 are due by the Poligar of Ramgherry a minor under the Court of Wards — In the 9 Zemindaries of Madura S. P. f. c. 250„ 31 - 15 are outstanding which I have no doubt will be Collected

5.th Averting to the Extent of our Demands Compared with the Peshcush, against Six of the Dindigul Poligars, as well as the Improbability of Clearing the Same by the Sale of any Subdivisions of those Pollams I would beg leave to recommend that they be disposed of, as they now stand — I am induced to offer this Suggestion from Certain Intimation that no respectable Person will engage in the Purchase of Part of a Pollam, whilst

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This Pollam is in itself too small to be Subdivided according to Regulation XXV Section X - 1802

a Poligar Continues to hold an Interest in it, and that a large Premium May be expected from Persons Suc=ceeding to all the Rights and advantages of a whole Zemindary belonging to an Hereditary Poligar— I have therefore taken the Liberty to add the Pollams (above=noticed in the Margin) in the advertizement for even=tual Sale—unless the arrears due by their Respective Poligars be previously liquidated

6th Although I have very reason to believe that the Balances against the Poligar of Connewaddy will be discharged I have nevertheless included his Pollam under the Head of "SubDivisions" to be Sold the Detail of My arrangements in that Zemindary I shall have the honor to Submit to you with My Report in the form received from your Board within the last eight Days —

(Signed) Geo. Parish Coll.

Madura
30th Septr 1806

To the Judge & Magistrate
in the Zillah
Trichinopoly

Sir,

Agreeably to your request the Procla=mation forwarded in your Letter of the 25th September has been published in the Six Pollams of Manapara —

Having no Revenue Servants in those Pollams (which are in the possession of Hereditary Zemindars) I have experienced Considerable difficulty in the endeavor to Obtain the detailed Information regarding them as Called for in your former Letter

It appears to me that this Intelligence might be easily procured through the Medium of your Dorogah, whenever their appointment takes place and which I cannot obtain at this Moment with any Correctness unless a Separate Establishment of Servants were deputed from My Cutcherry for that especial purpose.

A List of the Villages and Curnoms attached to them shall be immediately forwarded.

By your Letter of the 30th July It would seem that you Conceive the Pollam of Nuttum within your Jurisdiction but which appears by the enclosed Letter from Government to be attached to the Zillah Court of Madura

(Signed) George Parish Coll.

Madura
30th Septr. 1806

To the Secretary to Government
in the Public Department

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Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that no passports have been received or issued from this Station in the Month of September 1806

(Signed) George Parish Coll.

Madura
1st October 1806

To the President and Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to transmit herewith a Statement of Demand, Collection and Balance of the Districts of Dindigul & Madura for last Month

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(Signed) George Parish Coll.

Madura
7th Octr. 1806

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To the Accountant General and
Civil Auditor
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith the Account current of the Districts of Dindigul and Madura for last Month, together with the Vouchers appertaining thereto, agreeably to the accompanying List of the Packet—

Madura
7th Octr. 1806

(Signed) George Parish,
Collr.

To the President & Members of the
Board of Revenue

13 Feb 1826

Gentlemen,

Para. 1st. I have now the honor to submit to you my report on the Balances outstanding in the Zillah of Dindigul, accompanied by Statements connected with the Subject—

2d. I beg leave to call to the recollection of your Board the very unfavorable Circumstances under which the newly Constituted Zemindars of Dindigul were put in possession of their Estates in Fusly 1214— Notwithstanding the disadvantage of an extreme Dry Season, you will remember that only two Zemindars failed in their Engagements with Government, whose Estates were sold at the close of that year— The Means which the other Zemindars employed to complete their Payments— I had the honor of stating to you, on a former occasion, and it became therefore easy to foresee the result of a Second bad Season which unfortunately followed—

Letter to the Board 31st July 1805 Para. 2d.

3° The Orders I had promulgated, in October 1805 relative to the issue of Pottahs, and which had been circumstantially explained to every Ryot, I considered would have had a greater Effect than it they really produced on the Minds of the People - The influence however which the Zemindars possess over the Ryots, and the advantage arising to both parties by Conciliatory Measures towards each other will always render it difficult to enforce the Orders of Government in this respect enacted, but as the Regulations define the punishment of disobedience I did not hesitate to enforce the Same where the People possessed the Means of repaying anticipated rent, or where Circumstances appeared to warrant the belief, that Collusive engagements were the Origin of such Collections

4th To explain this point it may be necessary to state that the Zemindars who fulfilled their Engagements with Government in fusly 1214 - were of Course in possession of their Estates between the close of that Revenue year, to the period when the first Kist for fusly 1215 fell due - Sufficient time was therefore allowed them to arrange Matters with their Ryots, but instead of adhering to the principle of assessment upon which the permanent Settlement has been Calculated, and upon which alone the Jumma Can be realized, they entered into Engagements with their Ryots giving Lands in rent on favorable terms which had for Many years borne a full assessment

5th The Restrictions under which a Revenue

Revenue Officer acts by the Regulations, and with which the Natives of this Country begin to be perfectly acquainted, naturally precludes the exercise of those checks which were formerly considered necessary to secure the dues of Government — It is therefore to be imagined that to obtain satisfactory Information connected with the Object in granting Remissions of this nature, is a difficult Task; at the same time that no doubt exists in my mind, but that in some instances the Head Inhabitants take advantage of the Predicament in which the Zemindars are placed / by a Knowledge they possess, that without their assistance the Revenue cannot be Collected / and that in others, the Zemindars make this reduction voluntarily with a view of borrowing Money to pay their debts, or other incidental Expences.

Clause 2d Section X — Regn. XXVII 1802 —

6th The Regulations providing that all Engagements between Zemindars and their Ryots shall be binding on the Collector after the assumption of an Estate, unless such agreements shall be found to be collusive, with a view to defeat the Effects of the attachment, it raised some doubts in my mind how far I was warranted to annul Puttiem which had been obtained upon terms exempting the Land from bearing its full portion of the permanent Jumma, but on a further consideration of the Subject it appeared to me that the XII Section of the XXV Regulation 1802 was expressly enacted to provide against any defalcation of the Revenue in the Manner already pointed out, and I therefore deemed it my duty to assess such Lands at the same rate as had originally been Sanctioned and declared the permanent Teerwa —

7th The foregoing Statement of the Means adopted by the Zemindars to Conciliate their under Tenants is however not the only Mode in which they endeavour to undermine the resources of Government - The Circumstances which in the present year have caused a Considerable arrear, are, as has already been stated in a great Measure owing to the failure of the Season in fusly 1214. but when the Zemindars possessed sufficient Credit with the Public to discharge their Peshcush by Means of borrowing Money, a Continuance of such assistance Could not however be expected when the last year proved equally adverse, and when the Zemindars were surrounded by numerous Creditors claiming Payment of debts Contracted the preceeding Year -

8th I proceeded therefore according to the Principle laid down in the Regulations, assuming such Estates as were falling in arrears, Making Specific Engagements - where none existed and Collecting the Revenue as it become due, In Many instances I found that the Zemindars had entered into agreements, and that the realization of the Kist was owing to that spirit of Chicane and opposition, which Natives never fail to Manifest where a divided authority exists, and which was unfortunately heightened by the Circumstance of the Civil Court having been closed (with the exception of 16 Days since the 30th of May - The Revenue authority when supported by the Courts of Justice has been Considered equal to the exercise of all just and equitable purposes, but it will, no doubt, appear to your Board that the former power independent of the latter is totally inefficient -

9th The Total permanent Jumma assessed on the Province of Dindigul amounts to Star Pagodas

	S. P.s	f	c
=das	98190 "	20 "	51½
of this Sum has been paid in the Treasury	64163	14	50

(S. P.s 27919 " 37f " 46c " by the Zemindars & 36243 " 19 - 4 " by my Public Servants)

The Balance I expect to realize before the Sale of the lands amounts	14222 "	35	12½
which will make the Total Collections	78386 "	7	62½

The actual Jumma for Fusly 1215 Made by the Zemindars as well as revised by myself amounts to S. P.s 89798 " 30f " 50c being S. P.s 11412 " 22 " 71½ less than the Sum paid into Treasury and 24102 " 19 " 9½ less than the Gross estimated Value of the Province allowing 16 P Cent on an average as the Zemindars Share — The loss Sustained by them in the Revenue is a lamentable occurrence and the result of two Successive bad Seasons which have prevailed in these Countries —

Permanent Jumma	98190	20	51½
16 P C.t Zemindars Share	15710	20	8
Total	113900	40	59½
Deduct Nett Settlement	89798 "	30	50
	24102	10	9½

10th. The whole of the Jummabundy Made by the Zemindars having been carefully revised by my=self, the foregoing Abstract of the Nett Settlement and Collections May be relied on to be Correct and altho' there appears a Balance of 11412 " 22 " 71½ against the Zemindars upon that Jumma it must be remembered that from this amount ought to be deducted their Charges Collection — Subsistence according with their Rank from the 13th July 1805 as also the partial payment of Some private Debts which they state, Necessity Ob=liged them to discharge for fear of being prosecuted in Court for the immediate liquidation of all the extensive Claims upon them —

11th With reference to the peculiar situation of dif=ficulty in which the Zemindars of Dindigul were placed, it is obvious that under the present Regulations, a part of the Revenue, may always be converted to private use by reference to the System of Management, peculiar to Native Governments, since they invariably prefer a Division of the Crop in Kind to a ready Money rent – The Province of Dindigul producing but a small propor=tion of Paddy, is from its soil and situation, chiefly cultivated with different Sorts of Dry Grain which being reaped by the end of October, puts the Zemindars in possession of their share of the Crop in Kind, and which they immediately dispose of, three Months previous to the first Kist of the year falling due to the Company – This arrangement arising in the System of a Division of the Crop, can only be re=medied by enforcing the Law against the Defaulters, for, whilst they have the right to conclude their own Engag=ments either in Money or Kind, no authority at present vested in a Revenue Officer can restrain their making an evil use of such Power – To recover the arrears due, the sale of the Estates must necessarily be resorted to, and considering the amount sales of the two Zemindaries in fusly 1214 – it is to be hoped that the Balance may be con=siderably reduced, especially as some of the Zemindars also hold possession of Hereditary Pollams in Dindigul, and which must of Course become security for the arrears eventually due at the time of Sale –

Gross value of Punjeh – – S.P. 92,172
Ditto of Nunjeh 38,779 –

12th In regard to the Balances Outstanding, and expected to be recovered I must Observe that 2/3d of the amount would have been long since Collected, but for the interruption

146 interruption experienced in the Dispensation of Civil Justice for Some Many Months, whilst a native Can appeal from any decision against him, he will not fail to do so, and by the removal of his Small Property to another persons Charge, and absenting himself from his Village, he can always evade the Revenue authority and procrastinate the period of Payment —

13th. The accompanying Statements of the Jummabundy of each Zemindary, will Shew the Nature of the Engagements Subsisting between the Zemindars and their Ryots, and the Explanations which I have annexed will demonstrate the Items of Revenue on which the Ryots Claim Remission and My Decision on each Case — The Grounds upon which I have in Many Instances Set aside the Zemindars Cowles, I trust you will approve, for if they were permitted to under-rate the value of Land at pleasure, it would be vain to expect the realization of the Jumma — The Inhabitants indeed had no reason to Conceive that such agreements would ever be binding on the Circar, the regular assessment having been fixed by Survey, more than four years back, and which has accordingly been paid Since that period — The waste Lands brought under Cultivation in addition to those entered in the Puttiums have been granted to the Inhabitants on the Cowle of the Zemindars —

14th. I Should have Connected the Documents Now transmitted, had the Nature of the Settlement every where accorded, but differing in almost every Estate, I have been under the Necessity of Submitting them in Separate Statements — I trust nothing however is wanting to Shew a Complete Record of the actual Resources of the Province —

15th Every Zemindar with the Exception of one or two, being in possession of three or four Estates, I conceive it would answer no good purpose to Subdivide them, further, than Offering each Separately for Sale – and should the disposal of One prove unequal to the arrear, to proceed with the Sale until our Claims are finally adjusted – I am induced to Offer this Opinion in Consideration that the Balance due to Government now stands against each entire Zemindary without reference to the Number of Estates Composing it, taking therefore the arrear against the whole Zemindary, it will appear that in almost all Instances the Balance exceeds or at least equals the Permanent Jumma fixed on each Estate, so that a Sub Division of the latter becomes unnecessary because it is not probable that the amount Sale of One or even two Estates is likely to equal the Balance due by the Zemindar upon his entire Zemindary –

16th The Orders of Government relative to Sub-Divisions I conceive only to be applicable where there is reason to suppose that the Sale of a part of an Estate will be equal to our Demands, but the Improbability of this being the Case, on the present occasion I have taken the liberty of Submitting the foregoing Suggestion –

Connewaddy
Statement B
Column 1
Col 5

17th The form of Statement for submitting Sub-Divisions of Estates, I have applied to the Pollam of Connewaddy paying a Peshcush of [S. P.] 10,897 „ [F] 4 „ [C] 74 „ and against which a Balance appears of 5113 „ 18 „ 60 „ including Interest –

18th The Gross valuation of the Villages upon which

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S. Ps. fs. c
Col-3 - which the Peshcush was adjusted, amounts to 15,567. 12. 44
& the average present Value deduced from the Produce of three
Fuslies S. Ps. fs. c
Col-4 - years (1213-1214 & 1215) is 13,939. 21. 11 - This decrease is
readily to be accounted for, in the remembrance of the par-
tial failure of the Crop experienced in Fusly 1213 & the
two Succeeding years, having been extremely unfavorable -
With these circumstances in view I consider that the
Resources of the Pollam have not been over-rated, but
that every regard has been shewn to Moderation in the
assessment - I would therefore beg leave to recommend
that each Sub-division should bear an equal pro-
portion of the Peshcush, the same as the entire Ze-
mindary bore previous to the Division - If your
Board should accord with me in this Opinion, the
Permanent assessment on the three proposed Estates
Col. 8 - will Continue as heretofore at S. Pagodas 10,897. 4. 74
being 70 ₱ cent on the Gross Survey valuation of the Pollam,
and it is to be hoped that Individuals purchasing the
Estates, - holding them on a More favorable Tenure than
is granted to purchasers of Land Originally Khas and
Succeeding to all the rights and property of the former
Section XV possessor will Considerably increase the expected Pre-
Regn. XXVI mium, and Consequently reduce our Claims against the
1802 Poligar in a great degree -

Para 5th 19th For the reasons assigned in My Letter
of the 30th ultimo I beg leave to suggest that the Pol-
lams noticed in the Margin being in arrears to Go-
vernment May be disposed of as they Stand for inde-
pendent of the large Balance due Compared with the
Peshcush I foresee great difficulty in obtaining
respectable

respectable Purchasers for those Pollams where the Inhabitants from long attachment to the Poligars have embibed strong prejudices against any Interference from Strangers in Revenue Management - In some respects the dislike to adventurers being placed in possession of Landed property is general, particularly in the Poligars Countries, but as the Law must be carried into effect against defaulters of every description - the Sale of the Pollams must necessarily be reverted to. The influence an Hereditary Zemindar possesses over his Ryots is so well known that it appears needless in this place to recapitulate the grounds of apprehension That constant confusion and irregularity is likely to result to the detriment of our Interest where a Poligar holds an Interest with Individuals in the Management of the Pollams. On these Grounds I have ventured to submit the propriety of Selling the entire Pollams, altho' it is probable the Poligars will still find means to liquidate the Balance

Statement C - (Noticed in My Letter of the 30th ult.) before the day of Sale -

20th At the close of this address I trust to be excused in venturing to submit my Opinion of the Evil effects resulting from the Indiscriminate permission now granted to Individuals of purchasing Estates at the public Sales on paying down a small premium -

21st Respectability of Character, and a Knowledge of Revenue are qualifications which tend strongly to impress the better Class of Ryots with favorable Sentiments towards their immediate Superior - They look up to a Zemindar of this description as a Mediator between them and the Circar;

they

they will exert their Influence to Maintain the trouble=
=some and litigious in Order, and will generally en=
=deavour to Conciliate the good graces of their Landlord
in preference to opposing his views— On the other hand
it is a well-known fact that the Introduction of
Zemindars of low origin, of Suspicious Character, with=
=out Experience in Revenue, will exactly produce a
Contrary line of Conduct to the detriment of public In=
=terest, & to the ruin of private Fortunes—

22d. Considering how deeply the Government are interested in the due administration of the Reve=
=nues, and adverting to the unqualified admission of
every Person to the Rank of Zemindar, whose Qualifi=
=cation for the charge and Situation in life does not
entitle him to this important Trust, are Circumstances
which Seem to call for the Interference of Government
and the adoption of Some Measures which Shall obviate
the Consequences resulting from this evil—

23d. To effect so desirable a Change, I would beg
leave to Suggest the Expediency of adding a Clause to the
Advertizement for the Sale of Estates that in addition
to the Payment of the Purchase Money, two respectable
Securities will in future be required to the Extent of ½d
of the Permanent Jumma, binding themselves to be an=
=swerable for that amount in case the Purchaser fails
in his stipulated yearly Tribute to Government that a
Purchaser Omitting to produce such Securities within 10
Days after the Sale, the Lands will be again disposed of
at his risk, independent of forfeiting the deposit of
15 ₱ Cent—

24th I am fully aware that the foregoing restriction will in Some Measure retard the Sale of Many Estates that Individuals will find difficulty to Comply with these Orders and that the Lands May in Consequence remain under Aumany longer than is desirable - on the other hand I hope, that the advantages will More than Counter-balance the Inconvenience in the fair Prospect that those Persons engaging in the Purchase of Land are at least in Circumstances worthy to become Zemindars, that the unqualified admission of every speculating adventurer will be checked and that eventually we May hope to See a change effected in this Important branch of Government which Shall restore the Name of Zemindar to its Original Dignity and enviable Pre-eminence -

25th If you should be of Opinion that the restriction I have recommended in regard to the Extent of the Security is too heavy - I see no Objection to its being diminished to such a Sum as May in your judgment be deemed adequate to the Object in view, and which principally refers to the exclusion of Persons from the possession of landed property who can claim no title to the responsible Office of being Made the Channel of Collecting the dues of Government, Under these Circumstances I trust your Board will Concur in the Opinions I have stated, and that the Clauses in the Regulations refering to the terms upon which Lands are to be Sold May under your Sanction be revised and Speedily amended -

Sections XII & XIII Regn. XXVI 1802

(Signed) George Parish Collr.

Teppacollum
13th Octr. 1806

To the Register to the
Zillah Court
Tinnevelly

Sir,

I request you will receive Charge of the Prisoner Rama Sawmey Iyen late Aumeen in the Pettam of Woottamally where by different Means received from the Poligar the Sum of Cully Chs. 529 "

Madura
13th Octr. 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

Decision –

The Depositions and Examinations on Oath of Vencatramien, Terumainy permaul Pilly, Terumainy Shungoo Pilly, and Rama Sawmey Iyen, it appears that Certain sums of Money (exclusive of what has been paid for the Supply of Provisional Articles) was received by the Aumeen Rama Sawmey Iyen from the Zemindar of Woottamally, in violation of My Express Orders, Resolved that Rama Sawmey Iyen be Kept in Confinement until he refund the amount established against him –

Teppacollum
6th July 1805

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

To the President & Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to enclose Register of Receipts issued by Me to the Zemindars and to My Public Servants in the Zillah of Dindigul and in the District of Madura for the Month of September 1806 –

Madura
15th October 1806 –

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

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To J. Dacre Esquire
Acting Magistrate & Judge
Madura

Sir,

The whole of the Village accounts of the Zemindary of Malamungalum, having been called for by the late Zillah Judge of Dindigul and deposited in Court for the last Six Months I have to request that you will restore them to the Bearer Curnum of Keelamungalum in Order that the Balances due by the Inhabitants to the Circar May be forthwith ascertained and Collected

(Signed) George Parish Coll^r

Madura
16th Octr 1806

Section XII
Reg^n XXIX
1802

To the Accountant General and
Civil Auditor
Fort St. George

Sir,

Para 1st From circumstances which I have detailed to the Board of Revenue the Gross receipts of My Treasury for next Month are likely to be increased in the Sum of Star Pagodas 2,317 " 10 " 32 "

2^d The Charges will remain as before estimated in the Sum of S. Pag^s 2,282 . – " " and Consequently leave My Nett appropriable Revenue at the Sum of Star Pag^s 2,585 " 10 . 32 instead of Pagodas 268 " – " " as before estimated

(Signed) George Parish Coll^r

Madura –
22^d Octr 1806

To the Principal Collector
in Malabar

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter of the 14th Instant with its enclosure the 1st Batt^n 4th Reg^t being Stationed at Trichinopoly

Trichinopoly has induced me to forward a Copy of your Letter to the Principal Collector of that Province who will no doubt adopt Measures for the Payment of the Bill drawn upon under the Supposition that the Corps had been removed to the District of Dindigul —

(Signed) George Parish,
Collr.

Madura
22d Octr. 1806

To the Principal Collector of
Tanjore & Trichinopoly

Sir,

I have the honor to inclose the Copy of a Letter from the Principal Collector in Malabar together with its inclosure —

The 1st Battn. 4th Regt. Continuing Stationed at Trichinopoly appears to render it unnecessary that I should pay the Bill drawn upon me by Mr. Harden in favor of the Officer Commanding that Corps —

Madura
22d Octr. 1806

(Signed) Geo. Parish,
Collr.

To Major Robert Scot
Commanding 1st Battalion 4th Regt.
Trichinopoly

Sir,

I am favored with your Letter of the 19th Instant and in answer have to acquaint you that I do not Conceive myself authorized to pay the Bill drawn upon me by the Principal Collector in Malabar for S. Pags. 368. 39. 54 the Orders of Government directing it to be discharged by the Collector of Trichinopoly and which appears to be the most Convenient mode as the 1st Bn. 4th Regt. has not removed from that District —

Madura
22d Octr. 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

To the Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit Diary of My Proceedings in Zillahs of Madura & Dindigul for the Month of September 1806 —

Dindigul (Signed) George Parish Collr
28th October 1806

To the Sub Collector
at Trichinopoly

Sir,

For your Information I enclose Copy of a Letter from the Collector of Tinnevelly accompanied by an address from the Assistant Collector at Cochin request-ing every assistance May be given to Aga Nazar alley in expediting his Journey by Land to Madras —

Dindigul (Signed) George Parish Collr
30th October 1806

To the President & Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

Para 1st I have Had the honor to receive your Secretary's Letter, with its enclosures, relative to the Means of raising an additional Revenue from Beetle and Tobacco, by the issue of Licenses, for the exclusive Privilege of vending those Articles —

2d In Conformity with your Orders I pro-ceeded to invite Proposals, for the unexpired term of the Current fusly, upon the Conditions noticed in the advertizement (with the exception of the 2d 9 & 10 Para-graphs, and I have now the honor to acquaint you

that

that on the 1st Instant the Rent was given to the highest Bidders for the Sum of   as pr enclosed detailed Statement —

3d. From a Knowledge of the Estimated Produce & Consumption of Beetle & Tobacco in these Countries, it appears to me, that Proposals have been Submitted without reference to this necessary Precaution - in some Zemindaries overrating the Extent of these Resources in others undervaluing them and in the latter Case Individuals have Obtained the Rent on Comparatively favorable Terms —

4th. This System of Rent being altogether New to the Inhabitants of the Country - I foresee many difficulties the Renters will have to encounter, in the Establishment of their authority over the Present Merchants & Buzarmen engaged in the Sale of Beetle & Tobacco - clandestine Sale can scarcely be prevented & where it should be discovered the Penalty of disobedience cannot be enforced until the same has been passed into a Law

5. To these Obstacles may be added that the Renters are not of the most Respectable Characters but People who have engaged in the Speculation for want of other means to procure a Livelihood I have therefore deemed it of Importance to guard against the misapplication of their Collections by the Insertion of a Clause in the Cowelnamah that shall bear an Interest of 1 p Cent pr Month and that in default of the Renters making good the same within 30 Days their Lisence will be considered forfeited - the Rent given to the Highest Bidder, and the difficiency on the

Original

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Original amount Charged to the Defaulters —

6th Without Restrictions of this Nature I appre=hend the Renters would either Convert the Kist Money to their private use (with little probability of ever rea=lizing the Same from them) or in the event of arrears it would become necessary to appoint Servants to Conduct the Sale under Aumany — a Measure which must be con=sidered entirely inapplicable to the present System of Government —

7th In the accompanying Statement I have shewn the rates of Sale by the Inhabitants, the Retail Prices in the Market, as well as the Rate of Sale proposed for the Renter — The first Column was merely inserted to give the Proposers an opportunity of Judging of the Probable rate at which they might purchase Beetle & Tobacco but was not meant to Shackle the Trade — by forcing the Inhabitants to deliver those articles at a fixed price — It now remains with the Renter to adjust his own Terms with the Cultivator and as the latter can=not legally sell without permission from the former it is to be hoped that no Serious difficulties will arise in adjusting this Point —

8th Should the Rent System now in force be attended with advantage to Individuals it may be fairly presumed that our receipts on this account for next fusly will Considerably encrease — for at present it is an uncertain Speculation, as much from the Ignorance of the People of the Probable Resources each Zemindary possesses to yield the Rent, — as from an uncertainty of the Extent to which the Government will Support the Renters in the Exercise of the Privilege —

(Signed) George Parish
Collr

Dindigul 30th Octr 1806

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To the Secretary to Government
in the Public Department

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that no Passports have been received or issued from this Station in the Month of October 1806 —

Dindigul — (Signed) George Parish
Collr.
1st. November 1806

To the President and Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to transmit herewith a Statement of Demand Collection and Balance of the Districts of Dindigul & Madura for last Month —

Madura (Signed) George Parish
Collr.
7th November 1806

To the Accountant General and
Civil Auditor
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith the Account Current of the Districts of Dindigul & Madura for last Month together with the Vouchers appertaining thereto agreeably to the accompanying List of the Packet —

(Signed) George Parish
Madura Collr.
7th. Novr. 1806

To the President and Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to enclose Register
of

of Receipts issued by me to the Zemindars and to My Public Servants in the Zillah of Dindigul and in the District of Madura for the Month of October 1806 –

Madura (Signed) George Parish
15th November 1806 Collr.

To the Accountant General and
Civil Auditor
Fort St. George

Sir,

Para 1st. From circumstances which I have detailed to the Board of Revenue the Gross Receipts of My Treasury for next Month are likely to be encreased in the Sum of S. Pags. 2509-40"56

2d. The Charges will remain as before estimated in the Sum of Star Pagodas 2282 - " - " and Consequently leave My Nett appropriable Revenue at the Sum of Star Pagodas 2777-40-56 instead of Pagodas 268 as before estimated –

Madura (Signed) George Parish
20th Novr. 1806 Collr.

To the Judge & Magistrate
Madura

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter of the 17th Instant inclosing a Memorandum of accounts required in Court but which I am unable to furnish as they are not to be found on My Records –

(Signed) George Parish
Madura Collr.
26th Novr. 1806 –

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Lieutenant S. Smith

Commanding Detachment 6th Regt. N. C.

Sir,

In answer to your letter of this Days date, I cannot hesitate to assure you, that every exertion in My power has been Made to Supply your Detachment with Gram, and that from the quantity already furnished, as well as the total inadequacy of the Market to Continue to furnish you, to the extent required daily – I foresee no prospect of relief unless Chinnah be substituted to feed the Horses –

If the Gram can be Obtained, you May rely upon My Endeavours to procure the Same – Orders have been Sent to all the Poligars to Send in, any quantity they May be possessed of; a Measure which would have been Sooner resorted to – but for the unexpected detention of your Detachment at this place – which it was at first Supposed would only halt One Day –

Madura (Signed) George Parish

26th Novr. 1806 Collr.

To the Accountant General and

Civil Auditor

Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit here=with a Register of the Names and Sums Subscribed by the different Zemindars for the benefit of Doctor Jenner with a Bill at Sight upon the Sub Treasurer for the Sum of (26 " – 4 " – 2) twenty Six Star Pagodas & two Cash as required in your Letter of the 14th June last –

(Signed) George Parish

Madura – Collr.

30th November 1806 –

On the Passport Service

To the Secretary to Government
in the Public Department

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that passports have been received or Issued from this Station in the Month of November 1806

(Signed) George Parish Collr.

Madura
1st December 1806

To the Judge & Magistrate
Zillah Madura

Sir,

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Tennumpatty
yerriode
Colatoor

At the public sales of Estates in the Zillah of Dindigul a Person by the Name of Pooniah Pilly purchased four Zemindaries as noticed in the Margin for the Sum of 2530 as Pr his agreements herewith accompanying

Iyaloor
Tennumpatty
Colatoor

Having failed to Pay the Purchase Money agreeably to the terms laid down in the Regulations I have been under the Necessity to Offer them again for Sale which three of the Estates were disposed of for 400 Ps.

The accompanying Statement will Shew the Payments made by Pooniah Pilly of the Original Purchase Money & the amount still due by him after giving him Credit for the Sum of 400 Ps which I expect to realize from the present Possessors of the Lands within One Month

I request you will detain the Person of Pooniah Pilly now sent to you under Restraint until he Shall have paid the Balance due by him

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

Madura
1st of Decr. 1806

To the President and Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to transmit herewith a Statement of Demand Collection and Balance of the Districts of Dindigul and Madura for last Month

(Signed) George Parish Coll.

Madura
7th Decr. 1806

To the Accountant General &
Civil Auditor

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith the Account Current of the Districts of Dindigul and Madura for last Month together with the Vouchers appertaining thereto agreeably to the accompanying List of the Packet

(Signed) George Parish Coll.

Madura
7th Decr. 1806

To the Accountant General &
Civil Auditor

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose the Copy of a Letter from the Paymaster of Madura together with his Receipt for 2000 Star Pagodas the amount of which has been paid from this Treasury agreeably to the Orders of Government Communicated by you under date 10th of April 1805.

(Signed) George Parish Coll.

Madura
8th December 1806

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To the President & Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

Para 1st I have the honor to report that agreeably to your Instructions all the Estates in Dindigul in arrears to Government were put up to public Sale on the 15th ultimo, and in the Course of some Days partly Sold for

No. 1 the Sum of 12,470 S. Pag.

2d In My address of the 13th October I had the honor of Stating the particulars of the Balances, as well as the hope I entertained of recovering a proportion of them, In this Expectation, you will Observe, I have not been Deceived —

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3d With reference to the Orders Conveyed to Me under date the 24th December 1805 the Estates were Set up, in the first Instance, at the amount of the arrears due by the Several Proprietors, but the Zemindars pleading Indigence to Support by any, the Smallest Means this advantageous arrangement Made in their favor, and no Offer being received for any Estate in the Manner above suggested, I was under the necessity of reducing the demand to such a Sum, as appeared to Me would induce an Offer from Individuals, and Considering the Original Sale of the Land the purchase Money has, on the present occasion been very high —

4th Previous to the Day of Sale the arrears Stood as follows —

		S. P.	f.	c.
Statement A — Permanent Jumma of 40 (35) Zemindaries		98190	20	51½
Collections Should be		76434	3	75½
Balance		21756	16	56
amount Sale of 15 Estates	12470 " "			
Deduct Excess in Sale	2138 41 33	10331	"	47
	Nett Balance	11425	16	9

The arrears upon the actual Jummabundy of fusly 1215 as follows —

Statement B

	S. P.	f	c
Actual Jumma	89,798	30	54
Collections	76,434	3	75 1/2
Balance	13,364	26	58
Nett amount Sales of 15 Estates	10331	"	47
Nett Balance on the actual Jumma	3033	26	11

Statement C

The Balance against the Zemindars whose Estates have

	S. P.	f	c
been Sold amounted	17,752	2	24
Nett amount Sales of the Estates	10331	"	47
Balance due	7421	1	57

5th. A Decreased State of Cultivation and the prospect of Rain totally abandoned, renders it not improbable, but that the Estates unsold, will remain under My Management, and Considering the Causes which lead to this belief — I am of Opinion, that in every view of the subject it is preferrable they should Continue so — because the transfer of Lands under such Circumstances to Speculating Individuals must not only be productive of Loss to the Extent of the probable Decrease in the Revenue, but we must also look to a Certain Sum being appropriated to private use by Defaulters, with very little Prospect of recovering the same from them —

6. The Balance due by the Dindigul Madura & Manapara Poligars amounted on the 30th September to S. P. 12025 - f 3 - c 45 including the arrears of the Minor Pollams under charge of the Court of Wards —

7th Deducting the arrears due by Minor Poligars a Balance of 1283 - 38 - 64 - still remains due by the Poligars, who having given Security for the Payment of

Vide Letter from the Board 30th Octr. - Para 9th

of this Balance - I have Conceived Myself authorized, not to dispose of their Pollams

8 In regard to the Pollam of Guntapanaickenoor entered in the List of Balances due by Minor Poligars, I have to state, that the Poligar, hitherto recognized as the head of the family has within these few Days been threatened with a Prosecution by Some distant Branch of his Connections, and as this claim is to become the Subject of legal discussion, which May hereafter regulate the Line of Succession, I have also deemed it proper, not to Sell the Pollam altho' an arrear of Revenue appears due -

9 The present Poligar of Guntapanaickenoor has hitherto always been acknowledged as well by Mr Hurdis as Myself as the Only responsible Person in the Pollam, but the line of Succession in the Poligar Countries is so irregular, that it is impossible to Speak with Confidence upon this Subject, & Considering the risk incurred by an Illegal Sale, will I trust excuse Me in your Opinion for awaiting the final Decision of the Zillah Court upon this Subject -

10 The information required by your Secretary's letter of the 30th October, I shall now have the honor of Submitting -

11 In the Settlement of Dindigul revised by Me the permanent Surwa was declared the rule of assessment, where the Zemindars had Made a reduction, and the Decrease in the Revenue, between the Permanent & actual Jumma for this year, must only be principally ascribed to the adversity of Seasons, which have visited these Countries, for three Successive Years -

12 In addition, to the Causes of Decrease, it Might be needless to add, but in the Province of Dindigul other

Circumstances

Circumstances are Connected with the reduction of Revenue which it is necessary should be explained —

13. Previous to the Subjection of the Poligars to the regular Control of the Civil Government, it was not unusual for the Ryots to Cultivate the Circar Lands of Dindigul, where they were protected against oppression and insured of the full benefit of their Labour — In this Manner a great Extent of Land Yearly Cultivated by Yarwaddy Ryots residing in the Neighbouring Pollams, but the protection now afforded them, and the benefits arising to the Poligars by employing Such Men on their Own Estates, has Since the Introduction of the Permanent Settlement, put a Stop, to this System, and Consequently reduced the Extent of Cultivation in Dindigul —

14. another Circumstance which has tended to Decrease the Cultivation is also deserving of attention — The Engagements which the Ryots had entered into, with My Predecessor for a three Years Rent, expired in Fusly 1213 and as they had experienced the heavy responsibility of a triennial Lease progressively encreasing, they regarded their release as a Caution against Similar Engagements — They Considered themselves also at Liberty to relinquish those Lands included in their former Puttioms, to Cultivate to Such Extent as their Inclination prompted, and in Many Instances to accept Lands from Surrounding Poligars (whose Pollams are Mostly intermixed with the Circar Lands) on a More favorable Teerwa — a proceeding which, the Regulations do not prohibit, whilst we have no demand against the Seceders —

15th. Previous to the Introduction of the Judicial System, it was also an established Practice

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to take Muchelka's from the Ryots binding themselves Prosecute their Cultivation to the utmost Extent, and th arrangement, tending to Stimulate their Industry, h certainly the Effect of promoting both Public and Individual Prosperity - These and other beneficial checks have however now been destroyed by the La-tude given to the Ryots by the Regulations - the re-sult of which is, that neither the Zemindars, no the More respectable Inhabitants, can enforce Common Obedience, or respect, from their under Tenants - I am fully aware that the difficulties here noticed can never be put in Competition with th Grand Objects, which Sanctioned the Introduction of th Permanent System, nor were they brought under your Notice with any view, but to account for those Obsta-cles which have arisen in Consequence of a Sudden Change from great restraint to unlimitted Freedom -

16. The Decrease of Cultivation resulting from the Combined effects already stated, can therefore only b considered as the Cause of Decrease of Revenue, and as the Jumma of the year was formed on the actual Extent of Cultivation; I can have no hesitation in assuring you th the full amount of the Settlement has been paid to Governmen excepting what the Zemindars perverted to their own use in the early part of the Season, as before stated -

17.th In regard to the proposed alteration in the Kist-bundy - I shall have the honor of Submitting it to yo with a detailed Explanation in a few Days for the Chang to be Made requires great attention, and ought to be adjusted with reference to the extent of Hoday Masool in each Estate - In the present year no inconvenience has been experienced by the Zemindars perverting that Cr

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to their Own use, Since the Estates were all under Aumanee during the Harvest and the New Zemindars will receive Credit in account for the Collection already Made —

18.th The large sum for which Some of the Estates Sold Compared with others, Seems to render an Explanation of the Cause necessary — It is a fact that the Estates situated in the Valley near the Hills have many advantages but none to such an Extent as it would appear exists admitting the Purchase Money to be the Standard of Valuation — The Circumstances in Life of the Person become Zemindar of Cumbum & Chinnamanoor, precludes the hope that he will pay the Premium, and I fear that Many others who have en=gaged in the Purchase of Land will be in a Similar Predicament —

Amount Sale of Cumbum & Chinnamanoor Estates — 5700 . – . –
Deduct Balance against the Zemr. on his Permanent Jumma previous to Day of Sale, including Interest S Ps 3561 . – 47
Excess in Sale 2138 . 41 33

Seppacollum 12.th Decr. 1806 — (Signed) George Parish Colr.

To the Officer Commanding
Madura

Sir,

I have to request you will be pleased to Send to My Cutcherry sufficient Guard to receive charge of & escort 30,000 Ps to the Commercial Factory at Ramnad

Madura 12.th Decr. 1806 — (Signed) George Parish Colr.

To the Commercial Resident
at Ramnad

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letters enclosing Government Bills in your favor for S. Ps 30,000 the amount of which is now forwarded under escort of a Guard as per Invoice enclosed —

(Signed) G. Parish Colr.

Madura 13.th Decr. 1806

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To the Commercial Resident
at Ramnad

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letters enclosing Government Bills in your fav for S. Pagodas 30,000„ the amount of which is now forwarded in charge of the accompanying Guard as p^r^ Invoice enclosed

Madura
13th Decr 1806

/Signed/ George Parish Coll^r^

To the President & Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to enclose Register of Receipts issued by me to the Zemindars & to my Public Servants in the Zillah of Dindigul & in the District of Madura for the Month of November 1806

Madura
15th Decr 1806

/Signed/ George Parish Coll^r^

To the Accountant General &
Civil Auditor

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter - the enclosed Papers will shew the amount Cash I shall be able to remit to the Presidency in the Months of January - March & July 1807 -

Madura
19th Decr 1806

/Signed/ George Parish Coll^r^

To the Accountant General &
Civil Auditor
Fort St George

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith the Annual Estimate of Monthly receipts, Charges and Nett

Revenue

17th Revenue for 1807/8 as required by your letter Dated 17th Ultimo

Madura (Signed) George Parish, Collr

19th Decr 1806

To the Accountant General & Civil Auditor Fort St George

Sir

Para 1st From Circumstances which I have detailed to the Board of Revenue the Gross Receipts of My Treasury for next Month are likely to be decreased in the Sum of Star Pagodas 20,102 - 13 - 9

2d The Charges will remain as before estimated in the sum of Star Pagodas 6739 " - " and Consequently leave My Nett appropriable Revenue at the Sum of Star Pagodas 10158 " 28 " 71 instead of Pagodas 30,261 " - " as before estimated

Madura (Signed) George Parish, Collr

22d Decr 1806

To Mr T. B. Hurdis

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose Statement of Quit Rent due by you from 1st of May 1803 to 31st December 1806 for Land in your occupation at Madura, as pr Government Grant under date the 10th December 1802 amounting to S. Pags 172 " 6 " 2 " which I request you will be pleased to remit to me

Madura (Signed) George Parish, Collr

26th Decr 1806

T. B. Hurdis Esquire

Executor to the Estate of the late Lieut Col Innis

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose Statement of Quit

Quit Rent due by the Estate of the late Lieut.t Col. Innes, from 1st of May 1803 to 31st December 1806 as p.r Government Grant under date the 18th October 1800 amounting to Star Pagodas 54-8-50 which I request you will be pleased to remit to Me —

Madura (Signed) G.o Parish, Coll.r
26th Dec.r 1806

To Serjeant Major Young
Dindigul

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose Statement of Quit Rent due by you from 1st of May 1803 to 31st Dec.r 1806 for Land in your Occupation at Dindigul as p.r Government Grant under date the 18th Oct.r 1800 amounting to Star Pag.s 2-15-48 which I request you will be pleased to remit to Me — (Signed) George Parish, Coll.r

Madura
26th Dec.r 1806

To the President & Members of the
Board of Revenue,

Gentlemen,

Understanding that the Finance Committee has been dissolved I have the honor to Submit for your Sanction a Charge of 20 S.P. in-curred by their Order for the Erection of 11 Tappal Huts from the northern Frontier of Dindigul to the Island of Ramissurom —

Teppacollum (Signed) George Parish
27th December Coll.r
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To the President & Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen

Para 1st. I have the honor to lay before You Statements of Succavy & Tank Repairs, to which I beg the favor of your Sanction, as stated in the Margin –

Succavy 2332.5.7
Tank Repairs 660.25.36

2d. Notwithstanding the season having proved unfavorable, your Board will Observe, that the amount recommended for Succavy is very Moderate – By a strict Investigation into the real wants of the People, I have been enabled to reduce their Demands to this limitted Sum, – and I have great hopes, that a Continuance of this attention, will tend greatly to a reduction of these Claims every year –

3d. Upon the Subject of a General repair of Tanks in Madura, I had formerly the honor of addressing you – but as the work ought to be Conducted under the Control of a Scientific Officer, I would beg leave to recommend that Captain Caldwell be directed to proceed here for that purpose – The Repairs now made, are Confined to Clearing Channels leading from the River to the Principal Tanks, and strengthening such Banks as had given way some time ago during a violent Storm, accompanied by Rain –

Teppacollum
27th December 1806

(Signed) George Parish
Coll^r

To the Judge & Magistrate in the
Zillah of Madura

Sir,

Through the Channel of your Office I beg leave to recommend the following Persons to the Sudder Foujdarry Adawlut for the Situation of Commissioners to hear and decide Civil Suits agreeably to the

Clause 5.th Section 3.d

XVI Regulation 1802 –

Peer Mahomed – Tahsildar of Madacolum & Sholavundan –

Rattanaujee – Pundit – Peshcar of Perumungalum –

Appoo Row – Tahsildar of Mellore –

Annah Sawmey Eyen – Peshcar of Thoorsomboor –

Vencat Ramana Eyen Tahsildar of Aunyoor –

Narrain Row – Tahsildar of the Assumed Estates in Dindigul –

(Signed) George Parish Coll.r

Teppacollum

27.th Decr. 1806 –

To the Judge & Magistrate in the
Zillah of Madura

Sir,

1.st I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 19.th Instant requesting me to furnish you with Information relative to the Characters of the several Persons holding Commissions for the Sale of Distrained Property –

2.d the Persons Mentioned in the accompanying List (No. 1) are Public Revenue Servants and holding the appointment of Commissioners upon the Principle laid down in the Regulations –

Clause 5.th Sec.n 3.d Reg.n XVI 1803 & Sect.n XXIII Reg.n XXVIII 1802

the List (No. 2) will Convey all the Information I can Obtain relative to the Two Commissioners not in a Revenue Employ –

Madura

(Signed) George Parish Coll.r

27.th Decr. 1806 –

List

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No. 1

List of the Names of Commissioners holding Revenue Situations under the Collector of Madura

Names of the Commissioners	Date on which Commission was granted them	To what place appointed
Curpoora Chockoopilly	29th July 1806	Maudacollum
Appoo Row Tasildar of Mellore	10th Septr. 1806	Tasildar of Mellore
Rutnaujee Pundit Peshcar of Teroomungalum	10th Septr. 1806	Peshcar of Teroomungalum
Soobiah	3d Octr. 1806	Ameen of Adianool &c.
Boojenga Row	3d Octr. 1806	Do Alleynagarum &c.
Shashiah	3d Octr. 1806	Do Woottampollam &c.
Sheenewass Row	3d Octr. 1806	Do Iyaloor &c.
Ram Row	3d Octr. 1806	Do Auttoor &c.
Soobramaneya Iyen	28th Octr. 1806	Yerriode &c.
Cunnyen	10th Novr. 1806	Maudacollum
Madura Zillah Court 19th Decr. 1806	(Signed) W. R. Irwin	Judge

No. 2.

Translate of Information relative to the Characters of the two following Men employed as Commissioners.

Curpoor Chokapillay — During the Nabobs Government was employed as Sumperdy of all the Devastanom Villages, the Revenue of which amounted to 44,000 Chs. He is a Resident Inhabitant of the Town of Madura and is a Meerassy Nautcurnom of Koodul Alagurs Pagoda & of the Villages belonging to it — He has his Gomastahs in those Villages acting for him —

Cunnien — This Mans Father during the Nabobs Government was Amuldar of Maudacolum

Talook — He is a Respectable Inhabitant, & resides at Pillaypolliam Village —

Soobramonya Iyen — As the Business on which he was Sent to Yerriode &c. is Concluded there is no further necessity for his Services —

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

To the Judge &c. Magistrate in the
Zillah of Madura

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 17th Instant calling for certain accounts relating to the late Nabob's Revenue administration in Madura —

The Monthly accounts Current or Memorandums of Cash daily received and Disbursed from the 1st Audee to the end of aunee of the Rawoodree Varusho kept in the Persian Language are not to be found amongst the Nabobs Records —

The Abstract of Receipts and Disbursements in Mharatta to the 4th of aunee (when Narrain Row was removed) is herewith Sent —

To afford any Information you may require I have directed Vencat Row late Sherestadar during the Nabobs Government to attend you —

(Signed) George Parish
Collr.

Madura —
29th December 1806